1	BEFORE THE
2	ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION
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4	ILLINOIS-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY)
5) DOCKET NO.
6	Proposed general increase in water) 09-0319 and sewer rates.
7	Thursday, December 10, 2009
8	Springfield, Illinois
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LO	Met, pursuant to notice, at 9:00 a.m.
L1	BEFORE:
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1 PROCEEDINGS

- 2 JUDGE TAPIA: By the authority vested in me by
- 3 the Illinois Commerce Commission, I now call Docket
- 4 No. 09-0319. This docket concerns a general increase
- 5 in rates for delivery services submitted by
- 6 Illinois-American Water Company.
- 7 May I have appearances for the record,
- 8 please?
- 9 MR. STURTEVANT: Appearing on behalf of
- 10 Illinois-American Water Company, Albert Sturtevant
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- 20 MS. BUELL: Appearing on behalf of staff
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- 6 MR. BALOUGH: Appearing on behalf of the Cities
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- 8 Glen, St. Joseph, Savoy and Sidney, Richard Balough,
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- 11 MR. ROBERTSON: Appearing on behalf of the
- 12 Illinois Industrial Water Consumers, Ryan Robertson,
- 13 Lueders, Robertson & Konzen, 1939 Delmar, Granite
- 14 City Illinois 62040.
- 15 JUDGE TAPIA: Anyone else wishing to enter an
- 16 appearance?
- 17 Okay. Then we can proceed.
- 18 Ms. Satter, you wanted to enter into
- 19 evidence a document?
- 20 MS. SATTER: Yes. Yesterday a document was
- 21 marked during the cross-examination of Mr. Kerkove,
- 22 AG Cross Exhibit 16, and I would like to move for the

- 1 admission of that document.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Any objection from the company?
- 3 MR. STURTEVANT: No objection, Your Honor.
- 4 JUDGE TAPIA: All right. Hearing no objection,
- 5 AG Exhibit 16 which is the Consumer Price Index
- 6 document is entered into evidence.
- 7 (Whereupon AG Cross Exhibit 16
- 8 was admitted into evidence at
- 9 this time.)
- 10 JUDGE TAPIA: Before we hear witnesses, I want
- 11 to go ahead and enter affidavits for the witnesses
- 12 that won't be testifying.
- 13 In the event that you don't have a
- 14 signed affidavit today, you will be allowed to go
- 15 ahead and file it as a late filing.
- 16 Okay. Who wants to go first?
- 17 MR. STURTEVANT: Your Honor, I guess if I may,
- 18 before we get started on that, I had at least one
- 19 thing I wanted to address first thing this morning.
- 20 There's a witness for the City of
- 21 Des Plaines named Mr. Duddles who wished to offer a
- 22 statement supplementing his direct testimony in

- 1 response to Mr. Uffelman. He would like to offer
- 2 that statement by phone this afternoon, and I believe
- 3 he's available starting at 3. He would offer his
- 4 statement in whatever form over the phone. I have a
- 5 few clarifying questions to ask him and expect it to
- 6 be wrapped up pretty quickly.
- 7 The company is in agreement with this
- 8 approach, but obviously, it's subject to your
- 9 approval.
- 10 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. That would be fine. 3
- 11 o'clock?
- 12 MR. STURTEVANT: Yes. And I'll circulate a
- 13 phone bridge if we'd be able to set something up in
- 14 here.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Yes. I will talk to the clerk's
- 16 office and find out how to do that.
- 17 MR. STURTEVANT: Okay. And I'll have a dial-in
- 18 number.
- JUDGE TAPIA: So he will be testifying at 3
- 20 p.m.?
- 21 MR. STURTEVANT: Yes.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Anything else,

- 1 Mr. Sturtevant?
- 2 MR. STURTEVANT: Nothing that we can't address
- 3 after we deal with the affidavits.
- 4 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Who would like to go
- 5 first? The company, any affidavits you'd like to
- 6 submit?
- 7 MR. STURTEVANT: Yes, Your Honor. I would just
- 8 intend to read all the exhibits and exhibit numbers
- 9 into the record and indicate their supportive
- 10 affidavit. Is that all right?
- 11 JUDGE TAPIA: Yes.
- MR. STURTEVANT: The first set of exhibits is
- 13 the testimony of Ms. Pauline Ahern which consists of
- 14 her direct testimony marked as IAWC Exhibit 8.00 and
- accompanying exhibits IAWC Exhibits 8.01, 8.02, 8.03,
- 16 8.04, 8.05, 8.06, 8.07, 8.08, 8.09, 8.10, 8.11 and
- 17 8.12.
- In addition, there is the rebuttal
- 19 testimony of Ms. Ahern marked as IAWC 8.00 R-1
- 20 Revised with accompanying exhibits IAWC Exhibits 8.01
- 21 R-1, 8.02 R-1, 8.03 R-1, 8.04 R-1, 8.05 R-1, 8.06
- 22 R-1, 8.07 R-1, and 8.08 R-1.

- 1 Ms. Ahern has the second part of her
- 2 rebuttal testimony which is marked as IAWC Exhibit
- 8.00 R-2 Revised.
- 4 Oh, I apologize, Your Honor. There
- 5 was also an Exhibit 8.09 R-1.
- 6 And then the second part of her
- 7 rebuttal testimony is IAWC Exhibit 8.00 R-2 Revised
- 8 with accompanying Exhibits 8.01 R-2, 8.02 R-2,
- 9 8.03 R-2, 8.04 R-2, 8.05 R-2, 8.06 R-2, 8.07 R-2,
- 10 8.08 R-2, 8.09 R-2, 8.10 R-2, 8.11 R-2, 8.12 R-2, and
- 11 8.13 R-2.
- 12 Finally, Ms. Ahern has surrebuttal
- 13 testimony marked as IAWC 8.00 SR Revised.
- 14 All of these testimony and exhibits
- 15 are supported by her affidavit which is marked as
- 16 IAWC 8.14, and I believe that will be filed on
- 17 e-docket today.
- In addition, we have the testimony of
- 19 Mr. Mark Young, his direct testimony which was marked
- 20 as IAWC Exhibit 11.00 and one exhibit attached marked
- 21 as IAWC Exhibit 11.01. This testimony and exhibit
- 22 are supported by his affidavit which is marked as

- 1 IAWC Exhibit 11.02.
- Next we have the direct testimony of
- 3 Mr. John Young. That's been marked as IAWC
- 4 Exhibit 12.00. That is supported by Mr. John Young's
- 5 affidavit which is marked as IAWC Exhibit 12.01. I
- 6 believe that will be filed on e-docket today as well.
- 7 And then lastly, not lastly, second to
- 8 lastly we have Mr. McKinley's testimony, what's been
- 9 marked as IAWC Exhibit 13.00, direct testimony of J.
- 10 Rowe McKinley. We have IAWC Exhibit 13.01 Revised,
- 11 IAWC Exhibit 13.02, IAWC Exhibit 13.00 SUPP which is
- 12 the supplemental direct testimony of J. Rowe
- 13 McKinley. That's accompanied by IAWC Exhibit 13.01
- 14 SUPP and IAWC Exhibit 13.02 SUPP.
- We have Mr. McKinley's rebuttal
- 16 testimony, IAWC 13.00 R-1 with accompanying exhibits
- 17 IAWC 13.01 R-1, and the second part of Mr. McKinley's
- 18 rebuttal testimony marked as IAWC 13.00 R-2.
- Then lastly for Mr. McKinley we have
- 20 his surrebuttal testimony marked as IAWC 13.00 SR.
- 21 All of these are supported by
- 22 Mr. McKinley's affidavit which is marked as IAWC

- 1 13.03.
- 2 Lastly, we have the surrebuttal
- 3 testimony of Mr. Kalinovich marked as IAWC
- 4 Exhibit 20.00 SR. He also has an attachment to his
- 5 surrebuttal testimony marked as IAWC Exhibit JNK-1.
- 6 This testimony is supported by Mr. Kalinovich's
- 7 affidavit which is marked as IAWC Exhibit 20.01, and
- 8 that will be I believe filed on e-docket as well.
- In addition, Your Honor, we have the
- 10 company's Part 285 schedules. Those are identified
- on our exhibit list, and they consist of IAWC
- 12 Exhibit 14.00, the A schedules, IAWC Exhibit 15.00,
- the B schedules, 16.00, the C schedules, 17.00, the D
- 14 schedules, 18.00, the E schedules, and 19.00, the G
- 15 schedules.
- 16 A number of those schedules have been
- 17 revised in the course of the case, and those
- 18 revisions are identified on our exhibit list, and I
- 19 guess I would suggest that we just note that those
- 20 are identified on the exhibit list rather than going
- 21 through them in detail, but I'd be happy to identify
- 22 all the revisions if you'd like me to.

- 1 JUDGE TAPIA: Are there a lot of revisions?
- 2 MR. STURTEVANT: Well, there are a large number
- 3 of schedules, you know, a number of which have been
- 4 revised during the course of the case.
- 5 JUDGE TAPIA: And they're identified in the
- 6 exhibit list?
- 7 MR. STURTEVANT: They're identified in the
- 8 exhibit list, so the exhibit list will reflect the
- 9 most current revision of each schedule that's
- 10 contained within those exhibits that I identified.
- 11 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. That would be fine just to
- 12 have the exhibit list.
- MR. STURTEVANT: Okay.
- 14 JUDGE TAPIA: Anything else, Mr. Sturtevant?
- MR. STURTEVANT: No, I think that's covered it.
- 16 JUDGE TAPIA: Who would like to go next?
- 17 Mr. Balough?
- 18 MR. BALOUGH: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 19 On behalf of the Village of Homer
- 20 Glen, we have the direct testimony of Jim Daley which
- 21 has been marked as HG Exhibit 1.0R, and he will be
- 22 filing an affidavit as HG Exhibit 1.01.

- 1 We have the direct testimony of Mary
- 2 Niemiec which is HG Exhibit 2.0. She will be filing
- 3 an affidavit that will be marked as 2.01.
- 4 We have the direct testimony of
- 5 Michael Schofield which is H...
- 6 JUDGE TAPIA: Mr. Balough, I'm sorry.
- 7 Ms. Anemic, what is the original exhibit number?
- 8 MR. BALOUGH: Her original exhibit number is
- 9 2.0, and that's N-i-e-m-i-e-c.
- 10 The next witness is Michael Schofield
- 11 (S-c-h-o-f-i-e-l-d). His testimony has been marked
- 12 as HG Exhibit 3.0. He has an affidavit that has been
- 13 marked and has been filed as HG Exhibit 3.01.
- 14 We have the rebuttal testimony of
- 15 Aaron Fundich. That's A-a-r-o-n F-u-n-d-i-c-h. That
- 16 testimony has been marked as HG Exhibit 4.0 R-2. He
- 17 also has his resume which is attached as
- 18 Exhibit 4.1R, and we will be filing an affidavit for
- 19 Mr. Fundich and that will be marked as HG
- 20 Exhibit 4.2.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Mr. Balough.
- MR. BALOUGH: And one other thing.

- JUDGE TAPIA: Oh, okay.
- 2 MR. BALOUGH: Homer Glen and Illinois-American
- 3 Water have entered into an agreement concerning the
- 4 admission of certain data requests, and we will be
- 5 marking that I believe as HG-IAWC Joint Exhibit 1,
- 6 and we will file that on e-docket.
- 7 Do you want me to list the data
- 8 responses that will be in that exhibit?
- 9 JUDGE TAPIA: Yes, go ahead for the record.
- 10 MR. BALOUGH: Okay. For the record, and
- 11 hopefully the company will correct me if I miss one,
- 12 these data requests will be admitted. IAWC-HG
- 13 Exhibit 1.08.
- 14 And, Your Honor, for purposes of
- brevity, they're all marked IAWC-HG, okay?
- 16 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay.
- 17 MR. BALOUGH: The next one is 1.09, 1.12, 1.14,
- 18 1.27, 2.01, 2.04, 2.05, 2.06, 2.07, 2.09, 2.10, 3.01,
- 19 3.04, 3.05, 3.15, 4.04, 4.05, 4.24, 4.26, 4.27, 4.36,
- and, I'm sorry, this one is out of order, 4.29, 4.32
- and 4.36, and, again, Your Honor, we will file on
- 22 e-docket all of these in exhibit form.

- 1 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay.
- MS. BUELL: Mr. Balough, are those Homer Glen
- 3 responses to Illinois-American data requests?
- 4 MR. BALOUGH: Yes, they are.
- 5 MS. BUELL: Thank you.
- 6 MR. BALOUGH: And with that, we would then
- 7 offer all these exhibits.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you.
- 9 Before we go on to AG, the documents
- 10 and exhibits stated by Mr. Sturtevant on behalf of
- 11 the Illinois-American Water Company, they're all
- 12 entered into evidence.
- 13 (Whereupon IAWC Exhibits 8.00
- 14 through 8.12, 8.00 R-1 Revised,
- 15 8.01 R-1 through 8.09 R-1,
- 16 8.00 R-2 Revised, 8.00 R-2
- 17 Revised, 8.01 R-2 through 8.01
- 18 R-13, 8.00 SR Revised, 8.14,
- 19 11.00 through 11.02, 12.0,
- 20 12.01, 13.00, 13.01 Revised,
- 21 13.02, 13.00 SUPP through 13.02
- 22 SUPP, 13.00 R-1, 13.01 R-1,

13.00 R-2, 13.00 SR, 13.03, 1 20.00 SR, JNK-1, 20.01, and 2 3 14.00 through 19.00 were admitted into evidence at this 4 5 time.) JUDGE TAPIA: And the exhibits and data 6 requests identified by Mr. Balough on behalf of Homer 7 Glen are entered into evidence. 8 9 (Whereupon HG Exhibit 1.0R, 10 1.01, 2.0, 2.1, 3.0, 3.01, 4.0 11 R-2, 4.1R, 4.2, HG-IAWC Joint 12 Exhibit 1, IAWC-HG 1.08, 1.09, 13 1.12, 1.14, 1.27, 2.01, 2.04 14 thru 2.07, 2.09, 2.10, 3.01, 3.04, 3.05, 3.15, 4.04, 4.05, 15 4.24, 4.26, 4.27, 4.29, 4.32 & 16 17 4.36 were admitted into evidence 18 at this time.) 19 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Ms. Satter? 20 MS. SATTER: Thank you. 21 The following exhibits are being

offered by the people of the State of Illinois and by

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- 1 joint municipalities when indicated.
- 2 First I'd like to offer the testimony
- 3 of Scott J. Rubin. His direct testimony is AG
- 4 Exhibit 2.0 with Exhibits 2.01 through 2.05.
- 5 His rebuttal testimony is AG
- 6 Exhibit 6.0 and Mr. Rubin's rebuttal exhibits to his
- 7 rebuttal testimony are AG Exhibits 6.01 through 6.04.
- 8 We will be filing his affidavit
- 9 probably tomorrow on e-docket if that's acceptable.
- 10 JUDGE TAPIA: Yes.
- 11 MS. SATTER: The People of the State of
- 12 Illinois have also offered the direct testimony of
- 13 Mr. Robert Boros (B-o-r-o-s), and that has been
- 14 marked as AG Exhibit 4.0 and exhibits to 4.0 are AG
- 15 Exhibit 4.1 and AG Exhibit 4.2.
- Mr. Boros' filed supplemental direct
- 17 testimony, and we were granted leave to do so. That
- 18 testimony is marked AG Exhibit 8.0. Mr. Boros'
- 19 affidavit will be marked AG Exhibit 8.1 and will be
- 20 available to be filed on e-docket on Friday.
- JUDGE TAPIA: I'm sorry, Ms. Satter. It's
- 22 8.01?

- 1 MS. SATTER: 8.1.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Okay.
- 3 MS. SATTER: The People of the State of
- 4 Illinois have also offered the direct testimony of
- 5 Avis Gibons (G-i-b-o-n-s) marked as AG Exhibit 3.0.
- 6 Exhibits to Exhibit 3.0 are AG Exhibit 3.1 through AG
- 7 Exhibit 3.3.
- 8 The supplemental direct testimony of
- 9 Ms. Gibons has been marked as AG Exhibit 7.0, and it
- 10 has one attached exhibit, AG Exhibit 7.1.
- 11 Her affidavit will be marked AG
- 12 Exhibit 7.2 and will be available to file on e-docket
- 13 tomorrow.
- 14 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay.
- MS. BUELL: Ms. Satter, how are you going to
- 16 mark for identification Mr. Rubin's affidavit?
- 17 MS. SATTER: 6.04.
- 18 MS. BUELL: I think he has an Exhibit 6.04.
- 19 MS. SATTER: Does he? Let me check.
- I'll be happy to double check that. I
- 21 have his last Exhibit 6.03.
- MS. BUELL: Okay. Then his affidavit you say

- 1 will be 6.04?
- MS. SATTER: Yes.
- 3 MS. BUELL: Thank you.
- 4 MS. SATTER: Then the final piece of testimony
- 5 we would like to offer is the direct testimony of
- 6 Ralph C. Smith, and Mr. Smith has submitted this
- 7 testimony, and on behalf of the people of the State
- 8 of Illinois as well as on behalf of several
- 9 municipalities, I'd like to state their names into
- 10 the record, and that there was one city that joined
- 11 after the testimony was filed.
- So the cities who are co-sponsoring
- 13 Mr. Smith's testimony are the City of Des Plaines,
- 14 the Village of Bolingbrook, the Village of Glen
- 15 Ellen, Illinois , the Village of Homer Glen, the
- 16 Village of Lemont, Village of Lombard, Village of
- 17 Mount Prospect, Village of Orland Hills, Village of
- 18 Prairie Grove, Village of Woodridge, and Elmhurst is
- 19 also joining in sponsoring Mr. Smith's testimony.
- 20 And that document has been marked as
- 21 AG Joint Municipalities Exhibit 1. This document was
- 22 filed in a confidential and a public version.

- 1 Since the filing of this document, the
- 2 company and the Office of the Attorney General have
- 3 agreed that the confidential designations can be
- 4 removed, so I do have a question...
- JUDGE TAPIA: Yes.
- 6 MS. SATTER: ...which is whether the
- 7 Administrative Law Judge can release the confidential
- 8 version to the public file or whether I need to
- 9 refile it with the confidential designations removed.
- 10 JUDGE TAPIA: For the benefit of Judge Jones, I
- 11 would recommend you file it.
- 12 MS. SATTER: Refile it?
- 13 JUDGE TAPIA: Refile it.
- 14 MS. SATTER: Okay. The only change to that
- 15 exhibit will be the removal of the confidential
- 16 designations just for the record so people understand
- 17 that.
- And Mr. Smith's direct testimony was
- 19 marked as AG Joint Municipalities Exhibit 1.0. In
- 20 addition, he has exhibits AG Joint Municipalities
- 21 Exhibit 1.1 and 1.2.
- 22 Similarly to his testimony,

- 1 Exhibit 1.2 had some portions marked confidential.
- 2 Those designations are being removed so that will be
- 3 refiled without the designations.
- 4 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay.
- 5 MS. SATTER: Mr. Smith filed rebuttal
- 6 testimony, AG Joint Municipalities Exhibit 5.0. That
- 7 has been revised in accordance with the agreement
- 8 between the Office of the Attorney General and the
- 9 company, and that revised document will be filed on
- 10 e-docket tomorrow along with Mr. Smith's affidavit.
- 11 It is being called AG Joint Municipalities
- 12 Exhibit 5.0 Revised.
- The change is to remove the
- 14 discussion. I believe it's on -- let me just get you
- 15 the exact pages so that it's in the record.
- 16 The language starting on page 52, line
- 17 1080 through page 54, lines 1123 are being removed
- 18 from the AG Joint Municipalities Exhibit 5.0 as
- 19 originally filed.
- 20 On rebuttal, AG Joint Municipalities
- 21 Exhibit 5.1, 5.2 and 5.4, 5.5 and 5.6 are being
- offered, oh, excuse me, through 5.5. Exhibit 5.3

- 1 will not be offered into evidence, so even though,
- 2 it's on e-docket, it is not being offered into
- 3 evidence, again, in accordance with the agreement
- 4 yesterday.
- 5 Mr. Smith's affidavit is being marked
- 6 as AG Joint Municipalities Exhibit 5.6 and will be
- 7 filed on e-docket tomorrow.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Ms. Satter, that's 5.1 and 5.2
- 9 and 5.4 and 5.5?
- 10 MS. SATTER: Correct.
- 11 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay.
- MS. SATTER: We will also have a revised
- 13 exhibit list of the People of the State of Illinois,
- 14 and I would like to offer to file that tomorrow after
- 15 all the affidavits are filed and the confidential
- 16 designation issue has been resolved and that's
- 17 refiled.
- 18 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. And if you can send me an
- 19 e-mail copy so I can update this list or make sure
- 20 this list is correct.
- 21 MS. SATTER: Okay. I'll include that in the --
- 22 I'll serve the exhibit list on all the parties, and

- 1 I'll be sure to copy you.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Okay.
- 3 MS. SATTER: Now, I looked at the AG cross
- 4 exhibit list from yesterday. Would you like me to
- 5 comment on that?
- 6 JUDGE TAPIA: Sure.
- 7 MS. SATTER: Okay. I just wanted to note for
- 8 the record that AG Cross Exhibit 13, which was the
- 9 response to AG data request 9.2, was offered and I
- 10 believe admitted yesterday, and AG Cross Exhibit 14
- 11 which was the updated response to AG data request
- 12 10.13 was also offered, and I believe it was
- 13 admitted.
- 14 You know, these might have been
- 15 admitted on Tuesday rather than yesterday.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Do you have that list,
- 17 Ms. Satter?
- 18 MR. REICHART: She does have those listed,
- 19 Ms. Satter, on the first page, AG 13 and 14.
- 20 MS. SATTER: Okay. Thank you.
- 21 JUDGE TAPIA: And I apologize but I didn't ask
- 22 the other parties.

- 1 Mr. Sturtevant's exhibits that he
- 2 entered into evidence today and Mr. Balough's
- 3 exhibits that he entered on behalf of Homer Glen, are
- 4 there any objections to the entry of those exhibits?
- 5 Okay. Are there any objections to the
- 6 exhibits just stated by Ms. Satter on behalf of the
- 7 People and the municipalities?
- 8 Okay. Ms. Satter is that the last?
- 9 MS. SATTER: Yes. So I'd move for the
- 10 admission of the exhibits that were just described.
- 11 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Hearing no objection, the
- 12 exhibits stated by Ms. Satter are admitted into
- 13 evidence.
- 14 (Whereupon AG 2.0 thru 2.5, 6.0
- thru 6.4, 4.0 thru 4.2, 8.0,
- 16 8.1, 3.0 thru 3.3, 7.0 thru 7.2
- 17 & AG Joint Municipalities 1,
- 18 1.1, 1.2, 5.0, 5.0 Revised, 5.1,
- 19 5.2 & 5.4 thru 5.6 were admitted
- 20 into evidence at this time.)
- 21 JUDGE TAPIA: On behalf of staff?
- MS. BUELL: Thank you, Your Honor.

- 1 MR. STURTEVANT: I'm sorry, Linda, to interrupt
- 2 you.
- 3 MS. BUELL: No problem.
- 4 MR. STURTEVANT: I have one additional item
- 5 while we're on the topic of the AG and our agreement
- 6 yesterday.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Okay.
- 8 MR. STURTEVANT: Part of the agreement was to,
- 9 as I believe I described yesterday, was to agree to
- 10 the admission in some form of a number of documents
- 11 from the California PUC proceeding.
- I discussed this with Ms. Satter, and
- if it's acceptable to you, I believe the approach
- 14 that might make the most sense would be for the
- 15 Commission to take administrative notice of those
- 16 documents, and then for the convenience of the
- 17 parties, we could file electronic copies. One of
- 18 them is quite voluminous. We could file electronic
- 19 copies on the e-docket.
- 20 And the title of the documents are,
- 21 just for the record, the first is an order of the
- 22 California Public Utilities Commission, Application

- 1 08-01-027, final decision authorizing rate increase
- 2 in Monterey Water District and Toro service area.
- The second document is --
- 4 JUDGE TAPIA: I'm sorry, Mr. Sturtevant. The
- 5 docket number again 08-01...
- 6 MR. STURTEVANT: Yes, 08-01-027.
- 7 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay.
- 8 MR. STURTEVANT: And I guess I would add for
- 9 clarification on that that the date of issuance on
- 10 that document is marked 7/10/2009.
- 11 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay.
- 12 MR. STURTEVANT: In that same docket number,
- 13 there is a document entitled California-American
- 14 Water petition to modify decision 09-07-021 regarding
- 15 general office. That is dated October 7, 2009.
- 16 And lastly, again, in that same
- 17 docket, a document entitled response of the division
- 18 of ratepayer advocates to the California-American
- 19 Water petition to modify decision 09-07-021 regarding
- 20 general office. That document is dated November 6,
- 21 2009.
- 22 JUDGE TAPIA: And, Mr. Sturtevant, I'm sorry,

- 1 the docket number again, 09-07?
- 2 MR. STURTEVANT: I apologize. I'm not sure I'm
- 3 a hundred percent familiar with the labeling process
- 4 of the California Public Utilities Commission, but
- 5 the documents are marked as Application No.
- $6 \quad 08-01-027$.
- 7 I believe the reference to decision
- 8 number is a separate reference to the decision that
- 9 was the first document that I identified.
- 10 JUDGE TAPIA: That's it?
- 11 MR. STURTEVANT: Yes.
- 12 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Sturtevant.
- 13 MR. STURTEVANT: And we would I guess intend to
- 14 file these on e-docket as administrative notice
- 15 exhibits or whatever. I'm not sure what the
- 16 appropriate designation would be, or, alternatively,
- 17 IAWC-AG joint exhibit.
- 18 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay; as administrative notice in
- 19 regards to this one because I know we had one
- 20 yesterday.
- 21 MS. SATTER: Okay. So administrative notice
- 22 will be taken of these documents? Is that what we're

- 1 doing?
- JUDGE TAPIA: Yes.
- 3 MS. SATTER: Okay. And you would like to file
- 4 them as IAWC-AG administrative notice documents or
- 5 Exhibits 1...
- 6 MR. STURTEVANT: 1, 2 and 3.
- 7 MS. SATTER: Okay.
- MR. STURTEVANT: Okay.
- 9 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. On behalf of staff?
- 10 MS. BUELL: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 11 Staff moves for the admission of the
- 12 direct testimony of Michael McNally previously marked
- 13 for identification as ICC Staff Exhibit 4.0. This
- 14 consists of 36 pages of narrative testimony and
- 15 Schedules 4.1 through 4.7, and it was filed via the
- 16 Commission's e-docket system on September 28, 2009.
- 17 Staff also moves for admission into
- 18 the evidentiary record the rebuttal testimony of
- 19 Michael McNally previously marked for identification
- 20 as ICC Staff Exhibit 11.0 consisting of 15 pages of
- 21 narrative testimony and Attachments A through D and
- filed via the Commission's e-docket system on

- 1 November 13, 2009.
- 2 And finally, staff moves for admission
- 3 into the record ICC Staff Exhibit 15.0 which is the
- 4 affidavit of Michael McNally which was filed via the
- 5 Commission's e-docket system this morning,
- 6 December 10, 2009.
- 7 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Ms. Buell. Is that
- 8 the last one?
- 9 MS. BUELL: Yes.
- 10 Your Honor, in addition, staff would
- 11 just like to note for the record that this morning,
- 12 staff witness Phil Hardas will be supporting the
- 13 previously filed direct testimony and rebuttal
- 14 testimony of staff witness Sheena Kite-Garlisch who
- is not available today she's on leave.
- JUDGE TAPIA: And so he will be adopting her
- 17 testimony?
- MS. BUELL: Yes, he will be adopting her
- 19 testimony as well as it's staff's understanding that
- 20 he will be cross-examined on it as well.
- 21 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Thank you.
- MS. BUELL: Thank you.

- 1 JUDGE TAPIA: Are there any objections to the
- 2 exhibits stated by Ms. Buell on behalf of staff?
- 3 Hearing no objection, they're entered
- 4 into evidence.
- 5 (Whereupon ICC Staff 4.0 thru
- 6 4.7 & 11.0 & 15.0 were admitted
- 7 into evidence at this time.)
- 8 JUDGE TAPIA: Mr. Robertson?
- 9 MR. ROBERTSON: Yes, on behalf of the Illinois
- 10 Industrial Water Consumers, we have the direct
- 11 testimony of Michael Gorman which has been marked as
- 12 Exhibit 1.0 with Exhibits 1.1 through 1.24.
- 13 The rebuttal testimony of IIWC witness
- 14 Michael Gorman which has been marked as IIWC 3.0 with
- 15 IIWC Exhibits 3.1 and 3.2, and the corresponding
- 16 affidavit of Michael Gorman which has been marked as
- 17 Exhibit 7.0 which I believe was filed on
- 18 December 8th.
- We also have the direct testimony of
- 20 witness Brian Collins which has been marked as IIWC
- 21 Exhibit 2.0 along with IIWC Exhibits 2.1, 2.2, 2.3,
- 22 2.4, and 2.5, the rebuttal testimony of IAWC witness

- 1 Brian Collins which has been marked as IIWC
- 2 Exhibit 4.0, and the corresponding affidavit of Brian
- 3 Collins which has been marked as 8.0 which I believe
- 4 was filed on December 8th also.
- 5 Finally, we have the rebuttal
- 6 testimony of IIWC witness Gary Goossens which has
- 7 been marked as IIWC Exhibit 5.0.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Can you spell that, please?
- 9 MR. ROBERTSON: Goossens (G-o-o-s-s-e-n-s).
- 10 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you.
- 11 MR. ROBERTSON: There is a public and
- 12 confidential version of that testimony, and the
- 13 corresponding affidavit of IAWC witness Gary Goossens
- 14 which has been marked as IAWC Exhibit 6.0 which I
- 15 believe was filed December 9th.
- 16 JUDGE TAPIA: And Mr. Goossens' rebuttal
- 17 testimony was exhibit -- I'm sorry.
- 18 MR. ROBERTSON: 5.0.
- 19 JUDGE TAPIA: 5.0?
- MR. ROBERTSON: Yes.
- JUDGE TAPIA: And the accompanying exhibits?
- 22 I'm sorry because I interrupted you.

- 1 MR. ROBERTSON: No, Your Honor. It was just
- 2 the 5.0.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Anything else,
- 4 Mr. Robertson?
- 5 MR. ROBERTSON: No. Thank you. I'd move for
- 6 their admission.
- 7 JUDGE TAPIA: Are there any objections to the
- 8 exhibits just stated by Mr. Robertson on behalf of
- 9 IIWC?
- 10 Okay. Hearing no objection, they are
- 11 admitted into evidence.
- 12 (Whereupon IIWC Exhibits 1.0
- 13 thru 1.24, 2.0 thru 2.5, 3.0,
- 3.1, 3.2, 4.0, 5.0, 6.0, 7.0 &
- 15 8.0 were admitted into evidence
- at this time.)
- 17 MS. SATTER: There is one more thing.
- 18 JUDGE TAPIA: Yes?
- 19 MS. SATTER: There were I believe two
- 20 municipalities that offered evidence, and there was
- 21 no cross-examination for those witnesses. That would
- 22 be Mr. Jason Bajor, which is on behalf of the City of

- 1 Des Plaines, DP Exhibit 01. I believe an affidavit
- 2 for Mr. Bajor was filed on e-docket, and it's my
- 3 understanding there's no objection to his testimony.
- 4 So I would move on behalf of --
- 5 they're not here today because of the waiver of the
- 6 cross, so I just wanted to make sure they got into
- 7 evidence.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Ms. Satter, it's DP.
- 9 MS. SATTER: Exhibit 01 is how it's marked.
- 10 And Bajor is B-a-j-o-r.
- JUDGE TAPIA: And that's the direct testimony?
- 12 MS. SATTER: Yes, and I believe that's all he
- 13 filed.
- 14 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Any objection from the
- 15 company with respect to that exhibit?
- MR. STURTEVANT: No.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. DP Exhibit 01, direct
- 18 testimony of Mr. Bajor is admitted into evidence on
- 19 behalf of the City of Des Plaines.
- 20 (Whereupon DP Exhibit 01 was
- 21 admitted into evidence at this
- 22 time.)

- 1 MS. SATTER: And the Village of Mount Prospect
- 2 also submitted the testimony of their mayor, Irvana
- 3 K. Wilks (W-i-l-k-s). It is also being offered
- 4 without cross-examination, and I believe her
- 5 affidavit has been filed on e-docket, and again, I
- 6 wanted to make sure that that was formally entered
- 7 into the record. It's MP Exhibit 1.0.
- JUDGE TAPIA: And Ms. Satter, it's MP 1?
- 9 MS. SATTER: 1.0.
- 10 JUDGE TAPIA: And that's the direct testimony
- 11 of Ms. Wilkes?
- MS. SATTER: Yes.
- 13 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Any objection to
- 14 Ms. Wilkes' testimony from the company?
- MR. STURTEVANT: No, Your Honor.
- 16 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Hearing no objection, MP
- 17 1.0 is admitted into evidence on behalf of the
- 18 Village of Prospect.
- 19 (Whereupon MP Exhibit 1.0 was
- 20 admitted into evidence at this
- 21 time.)
- 22 JUDGE TAPIA: Anything else, Ms. Satter?

- 1 MS. SATTER: No.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Thank you.
- 3 Anyone else that would like to enter
- 4 affidavits?
- 5 Okay. Anything else we need to do
- 6 before we start with the witnesses?
- 7 MR. ALPERIN: Your Honor, I just wanted to
- 8 enter my appearance. I walked in a little late this
- 9 morning.
- 10 JUDGE TAPIA: Oh, I apologize. I didn't see
- 11 you there.
- 12 MR. ALPERIN: It's my fault for being a little
- 13 bit late. I just wanted to enter my appearance on
- 14 the record for the Village of Bolingbrook here today.
- 15 My name is Jeff Alperin
- 16 (A-1-p-e-r-i-n).
- 17 JUDGE TAPIA: Go ahead, Mr. Alperin. If you
- 18 can just go ahead and enter your appearance.
- 19 MR. ALPERIN: Oh, I'm sorry. Jeff Alperin,
- 20 Tressler, Soderstrom, Maloney & Priess, LLP, 305 West
- 21 Briarcliff, Bolingbrook, Illinois 60440.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Mr. Alperin.

- 1 Anyone else wishing to enter an
- 2 appearance?
- 3 Okay. Then staff can call their first
- 4 witness.
- 5 MS. BUELL: Yes, Your Honor. Staff calls Larry
- 6 H. Wilcox to the stand.
- 7 JUDGE TAPIA: Before I swear in Mr. Wilcox,
- 8 Mr. Robertson, do you have an updated exhibit list?
- 9 MR. ROBERTSON: I don't. It will be filed
- 10 though. Is that okay?
- 11 JUDGE TAPIA: Yes, that's fine.
- MR. ROBERTSON: Okay.
- 13 JUDGE TAPIA: And, Mr. Balough, I believe I saw
- 14 on e-docket the latest version of your exhibit list
- or is that someone else's?
- MR. BALOUGH: Well, that was mine, but there
- 17 will be another one because that does not reflect I
- 18 believe Mr. Fundich's affidavit.
- When I get all the affidavits in, I'll
- 20 file an updated exhibit list because I believe the
- 21 ALJ wanted to have the file number as well, and I
- 22 can't get the file number until I file it.

- 1 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. That would be great.
- 2 After Friday, Judge Jones should be
- 3 taking over, but if you can send me a courtesy copy
- 4 of the exhibit list because I will have to do these
- 5 reports for these dates of the evidentiary hearing
- 6 and I want to make sure they're all correct.
- 7 MR. BALOUGH: I will, Your Honor.
- JUDGE TAPIA: And also for the company, if
- 9 there's anything updated, if you can send me a
- 10 courtesy copy.
- 11 MR. STURTEVANT: Yes, we'll do that, Your
- 12 Honor. I believe we intend to probably tomorrow file
- 13 an updated exhibit list.
- 14 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. If you can send me a
- 15 courtesy copy by e-mail, that would be great.
- MR. STURTEVANT: Absolutely.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Mr. Wilcox, if you'd raise
- 18 your right hand.
- 19 (Whereupon the witness was sworn
- 20 by Judge Tapia.)
- JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Mr. Wilcox.
- Whenever you're ready, Ms. Buell.

- 1 MS. BUELL: Good morning, Mr. Wilcox.
- 2 LARRY H. WILCOX
- 3 called as a witness herein, on behalf of staff of the
- 4 Illinois CommerceCommission, having been first duly
- 5 sworn on his oath, was examined and testified as
- 6 follows:
- 7 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 8 BY MS. BUELL:
- 9 Q. Would you please state your full name and
- 10 spell your last name for the record?
- 11 A. My name is Larry H. Wilcox. That's
- 12 W-i-1-c-o-x.
- Q. Mr. Wilcox, by whom are you employed?
- 14 A. I'm an accountant in the Accounting
- 15 Department of the Financial Analysis Division.
- 16 O. And that would be with the Illinois
- 17 Commerce Commission?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Mr. Wilcox, have you prepared written
- 20 testimony for purposes in this proceeding?
- 21 A. Yes, I have.
- Q. And do you have before you a document

- 1 that's been marked for identification as ICC Staff
- 2 Exhibit 2.0 which consists of a cover page, table of
- 3 contents, four pages of narrative testimony,
- 4 Schedules 2.1 and 2.2, attachments A and B, and is
- 5 titled "Direct Testimony of Larry L. Wilcox"?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And is this a true and correct copy of the
- 8 direct testimony that you've prepared for this
- 9 proceeding?
- 10 A. Yes, it is.
- 11 Q. Do you also have before you a document
- 12 which has been marked for identification as ICC Staff
- 13 Exhibit 9.0 consisting of a cover page, table of
- 14 contents, five pages of narrative testimony,
- 15 Schedule 9.1, Attachments A through D, and is titled
- 16 Rebuttal's Testimony of Larry H. Wilcox"?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And is this a true and correct copy of the
- 19 rebuttal testimony that you prepared for purposes of
- 20 this proceeding?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you have any corrections to make to your

- 1 prepared direct and rebuttal testimony?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. And is the information contained in your
- 4 direct and rebuttal testimony and the accompanying
- 5 schedules and attachments true and correct to the
- 6 best of your knowledge?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And if I were to ask you the same questions
- 9 today, would your responses be the same?
- 10 A. Yes, they would.
- MS. BUELL: Your Honor, at this time, I ask for
- 12 admission into evidence Mr. Wilcox's prepared direct
- 13 testimony marked as ICC Staff Exhibit 2.0 including
- 14 the attached schedules and attachments and
- 15 Mr. Wilcox's prepared rebuttal testimony marked as
- 16 ICC Staff Exhibit 9.0 including the attached
- 17 schedules and attachments, and I'd note for the
- 18 record that these are the exact same documents that
- were originally filed via the Commission's e-docket
- 20 system on September 28th and November 13th, 2009
- 21 respectively.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Ms. Buell.

- 1 Any objection to the exhibits to be
- 2 entered into evidence on behalf of staff witness
- 3 Mr. Wilcox?
- 4 Hearing no objection, the direct
- 5 testimony entitled "Direct Testimony of Mr. Wilcox"
- 6 is 2.0 and the rebuttal testimony, 9.0, are admitted
- 7 into evidence.
- 8 (Whereupon ICC Staff Exhibits
- 9 2.0 thru 2.2 and 9.0 and 9.1
- 10 were admitted into evidence at
- 11 this time.)
- MS. BUELL: Thank you, Your Honor.
- I tender Mr. Wilcox for
- 14 cross-examination.
- 15 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Ms. Buell.
- Ms. Satter?
- MS. SATTER: Thank you.
- Good morning, Mr. Wilcox. My name is
- 19 Susan Satter. I represent the people of the State of
- 20 Illinois though the Office of the Attorney General.
- THE WITNESS: Good morning.

22

CROSS-EXAMINATION

2 BY MS. SATTER:

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- Q. I have some questions for you about your
- 4 testimony concerning rate case expense.
- In your testimony, you accept the
- 6 company's request for rate case expense in full; that
- 7 is for this case, is that correct?
- 8 A. Can I refer to my direct testimony?
- 9 Q. Sure. It's in your direct testimony on
- 10 page 4. If you look at lines 72 to 75, you say, "I
- 11 recommended the Commission expressly find that the
- 12 proposed amounts to be expended by the company for
- 13 rate case expenses proceeding as adjusted by staff
- 14 are just and reasonable."
- In your direct testimony, can you
- 16 identify the adjustment that you made?
- 17 (Pause)
- 18 A. Okay. Could you phrase the question once
- 19 again? I'm sorry.
- 20 Q. In your direct testimony, is it true that
- 21 you accepted the company's rate case expense as
- described on their schedule, Schedule C?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. And in your rebuttal testimony, you made
- 3 one adjustment to the recovery of past rate case
- 4 expense as requested by the company, is that correct?
- 5 A. No, not exactly.
- 6 Q. Well, let --
- 7 A. I made the same adjustment in direct and
- 8 rebuttal.
- 9 Q. Oh, okay.
- 10 A. That didn't change.
- 11 Q. Did you accept the rate case expense
- 12 contained in Schedule C-10 as filed by the company?
- 13 A. There was one adjustment that was made in
- 14 direct and carried forward into rebuttal that had to
- do with prior rate case expense.
- 16 Q. And that adjustment was to limit the prior
- 17 rate case expense to the amounts approved by the
- 18 Commission in the company's last rate case. That
- 19 would be Docket 07-0507?
- 20 A. That's correct.
- Q. But other than that adjustment, did you
- 22 accept the company's rate case expense as filed?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Now, in your testimony, you say that
- 3 you had reviewed the company's data request
- 4 responses, is that right?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And you did, in fact, review those
- 7 responses and you found no basis for an adjustment,
- 8 is that correct?
- 9 A. I had a series of DRs where I asked them to
- 10 update on a monthly basis the amount of rate case
- 11 expense, and when I got the most recent one, there
- was still no basis for an adjustment, or at least in
- 13 my mind there was no basis for an adjustment.
- 14 We were working with an incomplete
- 15 information set. The meters still run on that.
- 16 Q. Now, are you aware that the company was
- 17 allowed its entire rate case expense as identified in
- 18 its schedules in the last rate case, and that was
- 19 07-0507?
- 20 A. Yes, I think that's true.
- Q. Okay. So to the extent that the company
- 22 estimated and asked for a rate case expense in

- 1 07-0507, it was allowed, correct?
- 2 A. Yes, I believe so.
- Q. Okay. When you were reviewing the rate
- 4 case expense in this case, did you look back at the
- 5 allowed rate case expense in 07-0507?
- 6 A. Yes, I'm sure I did.
- 7 Q. Okay. And did you notice that the amount
- 8 requested in this case was higher than the amount
- 9 allowed in the last case?
- 10 A. Yes, but as I recall, the amount they asked
- 11 for wasn't higher than the actual in the last rate
- 12 case.
- 13 Q. So is it your understanding that although
- 14 the company estimated an amount for the last rate
- 15 case, and I believe you have it in your Schedule 9.1,
- the company asked for \$1.48 million in the last rate
- 17 case, and it was granted that. It's on your
- 18 Schedule 9.1.
- 19 MS. BUELL: What specific line are you
- 20 referring to, Ms. Satter?
- 21 MS. SATTER: It's line 11.
- MS. BUELL: So that would be --

- 1 MS. SATTER: Column C, page 2.
- MS. BUELL: Thank you.
- 3 Q. BY MS. SATTER: Even though that was the
- 4 amount that was estimated, you evaluated the current
- 5 rate case expense against the amount that was
- 6 actually incurred?
- 7 A. Could you rephrase that, please?
- 8 Q. When you evaluated the reasonableness of
- 9 the company's rate case expense in this case, did you
- 10 evaluate it against the amount approved in 07-0507 or
- 11 against the amount that the company claims it
- 12 actually incurred?
- 13 A. I'm reasonably certain I would have looked
- 14 at the actual because the other was simply an
- 15 estimate.
- 16 O. And to the extent that an estimate is
- 17 different from the actual, would that indicate
- 18 that -- well, what does that indicate when there's a
- 19 difference, that the budgeting was -- strike that.
- 20 Let me restate that.
- 21 If the actual is different from the
- 22 budgeted, would you agree that that could represent

- 1 several things such as that cost controls were not
- 2 followed or the estimate was wrong?
- What are the kinds of things that
- 4 cause a deviance like that or deviation?
- 5 MS. BUELL: Ms. Satter, are you asking him what
- 6 he considered in this particular analysis or are you
- 7 asking him as a general matter?
- 8 MS. SATTER: Well, we're talking about this
- 9 case, so we've got this difference between the actual
- 10 and the approved, and so my question is, did you
- 11 consider that difference and how did you evaluate
- 12 that difference.
- 13 A. An estimate is simply that. I mean, by its
- very nature, they tend to be imprecise, but when all
- is said and done, you come up with an actual number
- 16 of what things cost, and it's usually better to
- 17 evaluate future estimates versus actual expenses.
- 18 Q. Did you evaluate the particular categories
- 19 of expense that the company was requesting in this
- 20 case against the amounts approved in the last case?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And you also evaluated them as against the

- 1 amounts actually accrued in the last case as
- 2 represented by the company?
- 3 A. I thought that's what I just answered.
- 4 O. Okay. No. There's a difference. I'm
- 5 asking you for the difference between the amounts
- 6 that were in the rate case expense...
- 7 A. The amounts approved?
- 8 Q. The amounts approved versus the amounts
- 9 accrued.
- 10 A. No, I didn't compare their previous
- 11 estimates that were approved to their estimates in
- 12 this case. I compared their actual expenses in the
- 13 last case to their estimates in this case.
- 14 O. Did you look at the amount of rate case
- expense requested by the company in Docket 02-0690?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. That would be the last. Okay.
- 18 Did you look at Schedule C-10.1
- 19 submitted in 07-0507?
- 20 Let me show you a copy and you can
- 21 tell me if this is the document you reference. I
- 22 believe this will be AG Cross Exhibit 19.

- 1 (Whereupon AG Cross Exhibit 19
- 2 was marked for identification as
- of this date.)
- 4 Q. BY MS. SATTER: Do you recognize that as
- 5 Schedule C-10.01?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And that's the same schedule that you
- 8 looked at in this case, correct, for rate case
- 9 expense, the same schedule number?
- 10 A. I did look at this schedule as submitted in
- 11 the current case, yes.
- 12 Q. Okay. Now did you look at this schedule in
- 13 the last case, in 07-0507 to determine your column C
- on Schedule 9.1, page 2 of 2?
- 15 (Pause)
- 16 A. I don't think so.
- Q. Now, you agree that the Schedule C-10.1
- include the prior case's expense level, approved
- 19 expense level, and then the estimated for the current
- 20 case, is that right?
- 21 A. Could you rephrase that once more? I'm
- 22 sorry.

- 1 Q. Schedule C-10.1.
- 2 A. Okay.
- 3 Q. That shows the actual amount of rate case
- 4 expense approved by the Commission in the prior case
- 5 and then the amount requested in the current case,
- 6 right?
- 7 A. That's correct.
- 8 Q. Now, in evaluating the rate case expense in
- 9 this case, in 0391, you did not look back to see the
- 10 pattern of rate case expenses going back to 02-0690?
- 11 A. No, I don't believe I did.
- 12 Q. But that was available to you, isn't that
- 13 correct?
- 14 A. I'm quite sure it was.
- Q. And would you agree that what's been marked
- 16 as AG Cross Exhibit 19 shows that from Docket 02-0690
- 17 to 07-0507, there was a 55 percent increase in the
- 18 rate case expense?
- 19 MS. BUELL: Your Honor, I'm going to object to
- 20 that question. Mr. Wilcox has already stated that he
- 21 did not use the schedule from the company's last rate
- 22 case in his analysis.

- 1 Ms. Satter is now asking him to verify
- 2 the numbers on that schedule and also to draw
- 3 conclusions from it, and so staff objects to the
- 4 question and the admission of the cross exhibit for
- 5 that matter.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Ms. Satter?
- 7 MS. SATTER: This is cross-examination. The
- 8 question is, how did Mr. Wilcox reach his conclusion
- 9 that this expense item was reasonable.
- 10 I think it's appropriate to ask him
- 11 what he looked at, and when a document is part of the
- 12 Commission's files, is available to him, which he
- 13 admittedly agreed was available to him, if he had
- 14 looked at it, what would he have seen, because he
- 15 didn't look at it and yet it was available.
- So I think for purposes of
- 17 cross-examination, it is an appropriate inquiry in an
- 18 appropriate cross exhibit, and it's a document that's
- 19 on the Commission's e-docket system. I don't think
- 20 there's any question as to its veracity. We didn't
- 21 create it. It's part of the rate case filing from
- 22 that docket.

- 1 JUDGE TAPIA: I tend to agree with Ms. Satter.
- 2 I think there's some flexibility in cross-examination
- 3 and using exhibits, and it was available, the witness
- 4 did testify that it was available to him, and he can
- 5 state his opinion of the question that Ms. Satter
- 6 asked.
- 7 So the objection to the type of
- 8 question, that's overruled.
- 9 And as far as the admission,
- 10 Ms. Satter hasn't offered it for admission so that's
- 11 also overruled.
- 12 MS. SATTER: Okay. Do you remember the
- 13 question?
- 14 The question was just a foundational
- question, so I don't think there's a question
- 16 pending.
- Q. More generally, it's true that you did not
- 18 consider these figures in evaluating whether or not
- 19 the rate case expense in this docket is just and
- 20 reasonable, is that correct?
- 21 A. That would be correct.
- Let me go on to say that if I was

- 1 looking at any figure in the current case, I would
- 2 not look at an estimate from the prior case. I would
- 3 look at an actual from the prior case.
- Q. Now, are you aware that a future test year
- 5 by definition is an estimate?
- 6 A. Of course it is.
- 7 Q. So is it correct that all figures in the
- 8 future test year are estimates?
- 9 A. If you'll let me speak in generalization,
- 10 that's probably true.
- 11 Q. I mean, is there any way that -- oh, okay.
- 12 Strike that.
- Does the Commission have the right to
- 14 rely on the company's estimates in determining the
- 15 revenue requirement when a company chooses to use a
- 16 future test year?
- 17 A. The Commission receives estimates, and they
- 18 test the validity of them the best way they can.
- In my humble opinion, the best way to
- 20 go about that is looking at prior actual and
- 21 comparing it to current estimated.
- Q. Do you think a company has an obligation to

- 1 attempt to operate within a budget that it
- 2 establishes?
- 3 A. I think they certainly tend to operate in
- 4 the budget they establish. Now, they don't always
- 5 get there, but they do the best they can.
- 6 Q. Okay. Now, in reviewing the rate case
- 7 expense, you reviewed various documents showing
- 8 actual expenditures, is that correct?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Did you review the response to ICC LHW
- 11 3.05? I believe you say that in your testimony.
- 12 A. Do you have a reference?
- 13 (Pause)
- 14 MS. BUELL: I don't see that, Ms. Satter. Do
- 15 you have a line reference for that?
- MS. SATTER: You know, I don't. Let me just
- 17 show Mr. Wilcox a copy of that response, and then he
- 18 can tell me if he looked at it.
- MS. BUELL: Would you have an extra copy of
- that response?
- 21 (Whereupon Ms. Satter handed a
- document to Ms. Buell.)

- 1 MS. BUELL: Thank you.
- Q. BY MS. SATTER: Mr. Wilcox, can you take a
- 3 look at this and tell me if you did look at that
- 4 summary of billings?
- 5 (Pause)
- 6 MS. BUELL: Ms. Satter, is this the entire
- 7 response to that data request or were there
- 8 additional pages?
- 9 MS. SATTER: I believe this was one page of
- 10 data.
- MS. BUELL: Was there a narrative response as
- 12 well?
- MS. SATTER: I don't know.
- 14 THE WITNESS: I believe this is one of a series
- of requests. This is 3.05 you said?
- MS. SATTER: Yes.
- 17 (Pause)
- THE WITNESS: Oh, okay. Yes. I'm sure I've
- 19 looked at this at some time or another, I guess. I
- 20 don't know. If they sent it with a narrative
- 21 explanation, I'm sure I looked at it, although I
- 22 don't recall anything specific about it.

- 1 Q. BY MS. SATTER: Okay. Do you recall
- 2 whether you received information about the number of
- 3 hours that was worked relative to the charges on this
- 4 exhibit?
- 5 A. No, I don't recall specifically.
- 6 Q. Did you review the functions performed by
- 7 the attorneys for the company in connection with
- 8 evaluating the rate case expense?
- 9 A. Obviously not from this.
- 10 O. Do you recall --
- 11 A. I think there was a separate DR where we
- 12 asked for copies of the invoices, but it's not here.
- 13 I mean, the numbers are here, but the narrative
- 14 explanations that would have accompanied the invoice
- 15 and what the services were for is not here.
- 16 Q. Do you recall whether you had the
- 17 opportunity to review an explanation of the services
- 18 provided for the charges that were billed?
- 19 A. I don't.
- 20 Q. The invoices that you received in response
- 21 to your request for information from the company, do
- 22 you recall whether the detail of the number of hours

- 1 and the specific services provided was removed from
- 2 those invoices, redacted?
- A. I don't recall.
- 4 Q. You don't recall. Okay.
- If I can show you a document that
- 6 we'll mark AG Cross Exhibit I believe it's 21.
- 7 Can you take a look at that and tell
- 8 me if you recognize that as the response to your
- 9 request for invoices for legal services.
- 10 A. This looks like something I've seen before,
- 11 yes.
- 12 Q. And would you agree with me that the
- invoices include charges but there's no description
- of what was actually performed?
- 15 A. It would appear that it was written in the
- 16 2009 rate case for example. They wrote 2009 rate
- 17 case. That was their explanation for the hours
- 18 billed and the subsequent charges.
- 19 O. So there was no further detail included in
- these invoices, is that correct?
- 21 A. Not here.
- 22 Q. And, in fact, you did not review any

- 1 document that had details of the actual services
- provided for the amounts billed, isn't that correct?
- 3 A. If this is what I received here, that would
- 4 be correct.
- 5 Q. Now, Mr. Wilcox, I noticed that you are a
- 6 fairly recent addition to the staff of the Commerce
- 7 Commission. You started in October of 2008?
- A. That's correct.
- 9 Q. And have you offered testimony in other
- 10 cases?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. How many cases have you offered testimony?
- 13 A. Half a dozen or so.
- 14 O. Half a dozen.
- Before you came to the Commerce
- 16 Commission, what were you doing?
- 17 A. I was an internal auditor for about 25
- 18 years.
- 19 O. An internal auditor?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. Where were you an internal auditor?
- 22 A. I was with the Illinois Department of

- 1 Transportation for about nine years, and before that
- 2 I was with the federal government.
- I did spend a year with a bank in
- 4 Hillsboro in between.
- Q. Oh, so that was maybe ten years ago?
- A. Yeah, about that.
- 7 Q. Have you participated in a rate case
- 8 before?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Which rate case did you participate in?
- 11 A. Peoples Gas.
- 12 Q. Did they use a future test year?
- 13 A. Yes, they did.
- Q. Do you agree with me that in setting a
- 15 revenue requirement, the Commission is establishing
- 16 how much money a company has indicated it needs to
- 17 operate going forward?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And do you agree with me that it's the
- 20 responsibility of the company to manage its costs
- 21 after a rate case has been concluded to operate its
- 22 business as best it can?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And if the company incurs more cost than it
- 3 indicated in its rate case, then it makes less money,
- 4 isn't that correct?
- 5 A. That would be true.
- Q. And if it manages its costs better so that
- 7 its costs are lower, then its shareholders receive a
- 8 benefit, isn't that correct?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. So there will always be some diversion --
- do you think there will always be some difference
- 12 between the estimates in a rate case and the actuals?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 MS. SATTER: Okay. I have no further
- 15 questions. I would like to move for the admission of
- 16 AG Cross Exhibits 19, 20 and 21.
- 17 JUDGE TAPIA: Could you identify those three
- 18 exhibits that you are offering?
- 19 MS. SATTER: AG Cross Exhibit 19 is a one-page
- 20 document. It's a copy from Docket 07-0507 of
- 21 Schedule C-10.1.
- JUDGE TAPIA: The docket number is 07 --

- 1 MS. SATTER: 07-0507.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Okay.
- 3 MS. SATTER: AG Cross Exhibit 20 is entitled
- 4 ICC LHW 305C, R-1, a summary of fees and expenses
- 5 updated. See summary of invoices.
- 6 JUDGE TAPIA: Can you give me a number again,
- 7 that docket? It's not a docket number but it's --
- 8 MS. SATTER: Oh, it's a data request number.
- 9 JUDGE TAPIA: Oh, a data request.
- 10 MS. SATTER: Yeah, that's a data request
- 11 response. It's ICC LHW 3.05 is the data request.
- 12 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. And AG Cross Exhibit 21?
- 13 MS. SATTER: Is the response to ICC data
- 14 request LHW 3.05(b) R-1, and that's 20 pages.
- JUDGE TAPIA: I'm sorry, Ms. Satter. You're
- 16 going too fast for me. ICC data request number...
- MS. SATTER: LHW 3.05(b) R-1, legal invoices
- 18 update, and it has 20 pages.
- 19 JUDGE TAPIA: Ms. Buell, any objections to AG
- 20 Cross Exhibits 19, 20 and 21?
- MS. BUELL: Yes, Your Honor. Staff objects to
- 22 all three.

- 1 As previously indicated, staff objects
- 2 to AG Cross Exhibit 19 because this is a company
- 3 schedule provided in the company's last rate case
- 4 being used for the purpose of soliciting Mr. Wilcox's
- 5 opinion regarding the entire rate case, Docket No.
- 6 02-0690. This is a document upon which Mr. Wilcox
- 7 should not be asked to testify. It's a company
- 8 exhibit, and it would have been more appropriate to
- 9 cross-examine a company witness on this exhibit, not
- 10 a staff witness. Staff is not sponsoring this
- 11 schedule, this accompanying schedule.
- 12 Staff also objects to the admission of
- 13 AG Cross Exhibit 20 because it is simply a single
- 14 page from what purports to be a company response to a
- 15 staff data request. We don't know what the question
- 16 is. We don't know what the narrative response was,
- if there even was a narrative response to it.
- 18 And staff has the same objection to AG
- 19 Cross Exhibit Exhibit 21 which purports to be a
- 20 company response to staff data request.
- 21 Again, there's no question if there
- was a narrative response it's also not included.

- JUDGE TAPIA: Ms. Satter?
- 2 MS. SATTER: First, in response to the
- 3 objections to AG Cross Exhibit 19, Mr. Wilcox
- 4 testified as to his review of the reasonableness of
- 5 this particular expense item. He admitted that this
- 6 was available to him, and he did not review it, and I
- 7 think that it's appropriate on cross to present to
- 8 the Commission, you know, what could have been looked
- 9 at, something that was perfectly available to him and
- 10 could have assisted him in his analysis.
- 11 So I think that offering it in that
- 12 context is appropriate.
- 13 In addition, this comes from the ICC's
- 14 own records, so I don't think there's any question as
- 15 to authenticity.
- 16 As to 20 and 21, if the staff wants to
- 17 add the cover page, I'm happy to add the question and
- 18 answer. They can do that on redirect. I can't
- imagine that that's a problem.
- 20 On the other hand, I don't think
- 21 that's an obstacle to admitting it. You know, the
- 22 question is what was reviewed. These are the things

- 1 that Mr. Wilcox reviewed. I think the Commission is
- 2 entitled to see what was presented to him.
- 3 JUDGE TAPIA: Ms. Buell, in regards to
- 4 Ms. Satter's inclusion of the question in 20 and 21,
- 5 do you still have an objection?
- 6 MS. BUELL: I would have to see the question,
- 7 Your Honor, and the narrative response. I do not
- 8 have that in front of me. Frankly, there were so
- 9 many data requests and responses, I did not make
- 10 copies of all of them, so before I could say, I would
- 11 need to see them.
- 12 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. I'm going to go ahead and
- 13 reserve ruling on Exhibit 20 and 21.
- 14 As far as the Cross exhibit No. 19, I
- 15 agree with Ms. Satter. I think, again, the witness
- 16 has testified that he had access to it. Although he
- 17 didn't review this particular, he stated his opinion,
- 18 and I think it's relevant in this case.
- 19 So AG Cross Exhibit 19 is admitted
- 20 into evidence, and then 20 and 21 will be reserved
- 21 for later today.

- 1 (Whereupon AG Cross Exhibit 19
- 2 was admitted into evidence at
- 3 this time.)
- 4 MS. SATTER: Thank you.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Ms. Satter, have you completed?
- 6 MS. SATTER: Yes.
- 7 JUDGE TAPIA: Mr. Alperin, do you have any
- 8 questions?
- 9 MR. ALPERIN: I have no questions of this
- 10 witness.
- 11 JUDGE TAPIA: Anyone else?
- MR. STURTEVANT: Actually, Your Honor, I have
- some questions before we get to Ms. Buell's redirect.
- 14 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay.
- MR. STURTEVANT: Good morning, Mr. Wilcox. My
- 16 name is Albert Sturtevant. I'm an attorney for
- 17 Illinois-American Water Company. I just wanted to
- 18 ask some additional questions related to your
- 19 testimony here today.
- 20 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 21 BY MR. STURTEVANT:
- Q. Ms. Satter for the Attorney General

- 1 referred you to a series of invoices that were marked
- 2 as DR ICC LHW 305(b) R-1, is that correct?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And in testifying regarding those invoices,
- 5 you testified regarding the detail that was present
- 6 in those invoices, is that correct?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And I think specifically you said something
- 9 along the lines of the rate case dollars were shown,
- 10 the number of hours, is that correct?
- 11 A. Okay. I'm looking at Cross Exhibit 21, and
- 12 the detail on the front page says 2009 rate case,
- 13 \$16,275. Everything else has been redacted.
- 0. Okay. Thank you.
- 15 Could you turn to page 8 of that
- 16 exhibit, and I guess I'd ask you to take a quick look
- 17 at, for example, pages 8, 9 and 10 of that exhibit.
- 18 A. Okay. We're talking 8 of 20?
- 19 O. Yes, 8 of 20 and 9 of 20.
- 20 A. Okay.
- Q. On those pages, there is information that
- 22 identifies attorney work hours by day, is that

- 1 correct?
- 2 A. Yes, and it looks like one hour for the
- 3 first entry for instance.
- Q. Okay. So for an individual day, there's an
- 5 individual name of an individual?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 O. And hours worked for that individual for
- 8 that day, is that correct?
- 9 A. Presumably, yes.
- 10 Q. Okay. In addition, Mr. Wilcox, I believe
- 11 you testified earlier that this data response and
- 12 some of the other data responses that Ms. Satter
- 13 referred you to were part of a large number of data
- 14 responses on the issue of rate case expenses that you
- 15 reviewed, is that correct?
- 16 A. That's correct.
- Q. And in particular, I'd like to show you
- 18 what I will mark as IAWC Cross Exhibit 1, and
- 19 unfortunately, I do not have any additional copies of
- 20 this document at this time. It is entitled Data
- 21 Request No. LHW 501.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Mr. Sturtevant, could you state

- 1 the exhibit number again?
- MR. STURTEVANT: Yeah, IAWC Cross Exhibit 1,
- 3 and I'd be happy for counsel to take a look at it
- 4 first before I show my only copy to the witness.
- 5 MS. BUELL: Thank you.
- 6 MS. SATTER: Mr. Sturtevant and Ms. Buell, are
- 7 you aware that the response to LHW 5.01 has been
- 8 attached to Mr. Wilcox's testimony?
- 9 MS. BUELL: Yes.
- 10 MS. SATTER: Is that the same document?
- 11 MR. STURTEVANT: Is that the same document? I
- 12 was not aware of that.
- Well, I'll just ask you to make sure.
- 14 O. Mr. Wilcox, are you familiar with this data
- 15 request?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And you reviewed that data response?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And is that data response attached as an
- 20 exhibit to your testimony?
- 21 A. Yes, it is.
- 22 Q. And would you agree that that data response

- 1 provides a narrative description of the company's
- 2 position regarding the reasonableness of their rate
- 3 case expense?
- A. Okay. I'm going to read the first part of
- 5 their response.
- 6 "IAWC objects to this request as
- 7 calling for a legal conclusion. IAWC further objects
- 8 to this request as overly broad and unduly
- 9 burdensome. Subject to and without waiving these
- 10 objections, IAWC responds as follows..." And then
- 11 goes on from there, and then they actually explain
- 12 the nature of the expenses.
- I suppose they said that they feel
- 14 that the expenses are justified.
- MR. STURTEVANT: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Wilcox.
- 16 I have no further questions.
- 17 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Mr. Sturtevant.
- 18 Ms. Buell, redirect?
- MS. BUELL: Yes, Your Honor.
- 20 MS. SATTER: Can I just, given that reference,
- 21 I would just like to follow up a little bit on that.

CROSS-EXAMINATION

2 BY MS. SATTER:

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- Q. Did you rely on the response in 5.01 in
- 4 finding that the rate case expense was just and
- 5 reasonable?
- A. It was one of the things I considered, yes.
- 7 Q. And in the response to looking at (A), it
- 8 says that you compared -- the company compares the
- 9 expense in this case to their actual expenses
- 10 relative to 07-0507, right?
- 11 A. I'd have to review this, but...
- 12 Q. Can you accept that -- here, I can tell you
- 13 what line it is if you want. Ninth from the bottom
- 14 under legal fees and expenses, also represents a
- 15 lower amount.
- 16 A. Yes. First sentence in the legal fees and
- 17 expenses paragraph states the reason why the company
- 18 feels the expenses are just and reasonable.
- 19 Q. So they've compared to the amounts actually
- 20 incurred, right?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. And not to the amounts actually allowed, is

- 1 that right?
- 2 A. That would be correct.
- Q. And when you saw that difference, you
- 4 disregarded that difference because you don't put a
- 5 lot of weight on estimates, is that right?
- 6 A. I can't imagine why I would use the
- 7 previous estimate if I had an actual number. I can't
- 8 grasp why I would do that.
- 9 Q. To the extent that the actual numbers are
- 10 different, did you investigate what differences
- 11 existed in this case versus the last case if there
- were differences in actual amounts?
- 13 A. Do you mean disparities in reporting actual
- 14 amounts from the '07 case?
- 15 Q. Yes.
- 16 A. I don't think I noted any disparities in
- 17 reporting '07 amounts.
- 18 Q. So for example, in the demand study, you
- 19 didn't ask the staff what the differences were in the
- 20 demand studies that might account for a difference in
- 21 cost in the rate case expense?
- 22 A. I don't recall if I did or I didn't.

- 1 Q. And in terms of the service company study
- 2 being \$422,900, you didn't evaluate that in terms of
- 3 any other study that was in the record, whether that
- 4 cost was reasonable in light of the other studies
- 5 that were included?
- 6 A. I am fairly certain I did not compare that
- 7 demand study, the actual cost, to any other demand
- 8 study actual cost.
- 9 Q. What about the service company study?
- 10 A. No. I would not have compared that to some
- 11 other company somewhere sometime.
- Q. Did you compare it to any other study in
- 13 this case?
- 14 A. I don't know if there were any other
- 15 studies in this case.
- 16 Q. Are you aware of the difference between the
- 17 service company study and, for example, the cost of
- 18 service study referenced in 5.01?
- 19 A. Could you elaborate, please?
- 20 Q. Do you know what those two studies looked
- 21 at?
- 22 A. Not specifically, no.

- 1 Q. How about the lead lag study? That's more
- of an accounting study. Did you look at the lead lag
- 3 study cost for this case versus the last case,
- 4 evaluate if there were differences in the studies?
- 5 A. I think I ran a little spreadsheet, and I
- 6 compared the cost from the last case, the actual, to
- 7 the projected cost in the current case.
- 8 In fact, I think that's maybe 10-1 or
- 9 10-2. I think the company does that too although
- 10 their percentages were reported incorrectly, and if I
- 11 had significant deviations, I think I put out a DR
- 12 asking why although I don't remember the number. I
- don't remember the specifics. This is something that
- 14 I likely would have done under the circumstances.
- Q. But you don't remember any particular
- 16 reason why one cost was higher in this case than in
- 17 another case in the prior case?
- 18 A. No, I don't.
- 19 MS. SATTER: All right. Thank you.
- 20 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Ms. Satter.
- 21 Ms. Buell, redirect?
- 22 MS. BUELL: Yes. Thank you, Your Honor.

1 REDIRECT EXAMINATION

- 2 BY MS. BUELL:
- 3 Q. Mr. Wilcox, do you recall when counsel
- 4 for the AG asked you about your background?
- 5 A. It's been so long ago but, yeah, I think I
- 6 generally recall that.
- 7 Q. Mr. Wilcox, is it correct that you are a
- 8 licensed certified public accountant, a certified
- 9 internal auditor, and a certified government
- 10 financial manager?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. Is it also correct that you're a member of
- 13 the American Institute of Certified Public
- 14 Accountants, Institute of Internal Auditors, and the
- 15 Illinois Certified Public Accountants Society?
- 16 A. That's also correct.
- 17 Q. Do you recall when counsel for the AG asked
- 18 you about how many Commission proceedings you had
- 19 testified in?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And you indicated that you had previously
- 22 testified in a large rate case concerning Peoples

- 1 Gas, is that correct?
- 2 A. That's correct.
- 3 Q. And in that Peoples Gas rate case
- 4 proceeding, did you propose adjustments?
- 5 A. Yes, I think I proposed a total of four.
- 6 Q. Four adjustments.
- 7 And have those four adjustments been
- 8 accepted by the Commission?
- 9 A. Yes. They were all accepted in their
- 10 entirety.
- 11 Q. And, Mr. Wilcox, did you recall when both
- 12 counsel for AG and for Illinois-American asked you
- 13 about your rate case expense analysis?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. In particular, you were shown the company's
- 16 response to staff data request LHW 5.01, is that
- 17 correct?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And is it also correct that you have
- 20 attached the company's response to LHW 5.01 to your
- 21 direct testimony?
- 22 A. That's correct.

- 1 Q. And would you agree with me that in your
- 2 direct testimony on the bottom of page 3 and
- 3 continuing to the top of page 4, you indicate that
- 4 you have attached the responses to both staff data
- 5 request LHW 5.01 and 7.01 to your testimony and that
- 6 these responses provide a basis for the Commission to
- 7 assess whether the company's proposed expenditures
- 8 compensate attorneys or technical experts to prepare
- 9 and litigate the instant proceeding are just and
- 10 reasonable?
- 11 A. That was the purpose, yes.
- 12 MS. BUELL: Thank you. I have no further
- 13 redirect.
- 14 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Ms. Buell.
- 15 Any recross?
- MS. SATTER: No.
- 17 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Mr. Wilcox.
- 18 (Witness excused.)
- JUDGE TAPIA: Before we go on to the next
- 20 witness, let's take a five-minute break.
- 21 (Recess taken.)
- JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. We're back on the record.

- 1 If staff would call their next witness.
- 2 MR. LANNON: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 3 Staff would call Mr. Christopher L.
- 4 Boggs.
- 5 JUDGE TAPIA: Mr. Boggs, would you raise your
- 6 right hand.
- 7 (Whereupon the witness was sworn
- by Judge Tapia.)
- 9 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you.
- 10 Whenever you're ready, go ahead.
- 11 MR. LANNON: Thank you.
- 12 CHRISTOPHER L. BOGGS
- 13 called as a witness herein, on behalf of staff of the
- 14 Illinois Commerce Commission, having been first duly
- 15 sworn on his oath, was examined and testified as
- 16 follows:
- 17 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 18 BY MR. LANNON:
- 19 Q. Can you please state your name?
- 20 A. Christopher L. Boggs (B-o-g-g-s).
- 21 Q. And who is your employer and what is your
- 22 business address?

- 1 A. Illinois Commerce Commission, 527 East
- 2 Capitol, Springfield, Illinois, 62701.
- 3 Q. And what is your position at the Illinois
- 4 Commerce Commission?
- 5 A. I'm a rates analyst.
- 6 Q. Did you prepare written exhibits for
- 7 submittal in this proceeding?
- 8 A. I did.
- 9 Q. Do you have before you a document which has
- 10 been marked for identification as ICC Staff
- 11 Exhibit 7.0 which consists of a cover page, table of
- 12 contents, 30 pages of narrative testimony, and it's
- 13 titled "Direct Testimony of Christopher L. Boggs"?
- 14 A. Yes.
- Q. Did you prepare that document?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Do you also have before you a document
- 18 which has been marked for identification as ICC Staff
- 19 Exhibit 14.0 RC which consists of a cover page, 30
- 20 pages of narrative testimony, Attachment 14.1 RC, and
- 21 is titled "Corrected Revised Rebuttal Testimony of
- 22 Christopher L. Boggs"?

- 1 A. I believe that was 13, not 30 pages.
- Q. Oh, thank you. You're right. 13 pages,
- 3 not 30 pages of narrative testimony.
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And did you prepare that document for
- 6 presentation in this matter?
- 7 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you have any corrections to make to ICC
- 9 Staff Exhibits 7.0 or 14.0 RC?
- 10 A. I do not.
- 11 Q. Is the information contained in ICC Staff
- 12 Exhibits 7.0 and 14.0 RC true and correct to the best
- of your knowledge?
- 14 A. Yes, they are.
- Q. And if I were to ask the same questions as
- 16 set forth in Staff Exhibit 7.0 and 14.0 RC, would
- your responses be the same today?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 MR. LANNON: Your Honor, I'd move for admission
- 20 into evidence ICC Staff Exhibits 7.0 and 14.0 RC
- 21 including Schedule 14.1 RC.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Any objection to the admission of

- 1 those exhibits stated by Mr. Lannon?
- 2 Hearing no objection, ICC Staff
- 3 Exhibit 7.0 which is the direct testimony of
- 4 Mr. Boggs and ICC Staff Exhibit 14.0 RC along with
- 5 the Schedule 14.1 RC is admitted into evidence.
- Thank you, Mr. Lannon. You can
- 7 continue.
- 8 (Whereupon ICC Staff Exhibits
- 9 7.0 and 14.0 RC were admitted
- into evidence at this time.)
- 11 MR. LANNON: Thank you.
- Mr. Boggs is available for
- 13 cross-examination.
- MS. SATTER: I have no questions.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Mr. Alperin?
- 16 MR. ALPERIN: I have no questions. Thank you.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Mr. Balough?
- 18 MR. BALOUGH: No questions.
- 19 JUDGE TAPIA: The company?
- 20 MR. STURTEVANT: No questions.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Mr. Boggs.
- 22 (Witness excused.)

- JUDGE TAPIA: Staff will call their next
- 2 witness.
- 3 MS. BUELL: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 4 Staff calls Daniel Kahle to the stand.
- 5 Mr. Kahle has not been sworn in, Your
- 6 Honor.
- 7 JUDGE TAPIA: If you would raise your right
- 8 hand.
- 9 (Whereupon the witness was sworn
- 10 by Judge Tapia.)
- 11 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Mr. Kahle.
- Whenever you're ready, Ms. Buell.
- MS. BUELL: Thank you, Judge.
- 14 DANIEL KAHLE
- 15 called as a witness herein, on behalf of staff of the
- 16 Illinois Commerce Commission, having been first duly
- 17 sworn on his oath, was examined and testified as
- 18 follows:
- 19 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 20 BY MS. BUELL:
- Q. Mr. Kahle, would you please state your full
- 22 name for the record and spell your last name

- 1 A. Daniel Kahle. Last name is spelled
- $2 \quad K-a-h-l-e.$
- 3 Q. Mr. Kahle, by whom are you employed?
- 4 A. The Illinois Commerce Commission.
- 5 Q. And what is your position with the Illinois
- 6 Commerce Commission?
- 7 A. I am an accountant in the Financial
- 8 Analysis Division.
- 9 Q. And have you prepared written testimony for
- 10 purposes of this proceeding?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Do you have before you a document which has
- 13 been marked for identification as ICC Staff
- 14 Exhibit 1.0 consisting of a cover page, table of
- 15 contents, 17 pages of narrative testimony,
- 16 Schedules 1.1 through 1.11, and is titled "Direct
- 17 Testimony of Daniel Kahle's?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And is this a true and correct copy of your
- 20 direct testimony?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. And do you also have a document which has

- been marked for identification as ICC Staff
- 2 Exhibit 8.0R consisting of a cover page, table of
- 3 contents, 12 pages of narrative testimony,
- 4 Schedules 8.1 through 8.7R, and is titled "Rebuttal
- 5 Testimony of Daniel Kahle"?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And is this a true and correct copy of your
- 8 rebuttal testimony?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Do you have any changes to make to your
- 11 prepared revised rebuttal testimony, Mr. Kahle?
- 12 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. What is that change?
- 14 A. After reviewing the surrebuttal testimony
- of the company witness Kerkove, I am no longer
- 16 sponsoring my proposed adjustments to cash working
- 17 capital that appear from lines 153 through 230 of my
- 18 revised rebuttal testimony.
- 19 O. Now, Mr. Kahle, is the information
- 20 contained in your direct and revised rebuttal
- 21 testimony and in your company schedules true and
- 22 correct to the best of your knowledge?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. And except for the one change you just made
- 3 to your revised rebuttal testimony, if you were asked
- 4 the same questions today, would your responses be the
- 5 same?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 MS. BUELL: Your Honor, at this time, I ask for
- 8 admission into evidence Mr. Collins prepared direct
- 9 testimony, ICC Staff Exhibit 1.0 including the
- 10 attached schedules, and Mr. Kahle's prepared rebuttal
- 11 testimony marked as ICC Staff Exhibit 8.0R including
- 12 the attached schedules.
- 13 And I'd note for the record that these
- 14 are the documents that were filed with the
- 15 Commission's e-docket system on September 28, 2009
- 16 for his direct testimony and November 24, 2009 for
- 17 his revised rebuttal testimony.
- 18 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Ms. Buell.
- 19 Any objection to the admission of
- 20 those exhibits?
- 21 Hearing no objection, ICC Staff
- 22 Exhibit 1.0, along with the Schedules 1.1 to 1.11,

- 1 which is the direct testimony of Mr. Kahle, and ICC
- 2 Staff Exhibit 8.0R with the attached schedules are
- 3 admitted into evidence.
- 4 (Whereupon ICC Staff Exhibits
- 5 1.0 and 8.0R were admitted into
- evidence at this time.)
- 7 MS. BUELL: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 8 I tender Mr. Kahle for
- 9 cross-examination.
- 10 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank, Ms. Buell.
- 11 Ms. Satter?
- MS. SATTER: No thank you.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Mr. Alperin?
- 14 MR. ALPERIN: I have nothing, Your Honor.
- 15 Thank you.
- JUDGE TAPIA: The company?
- 17 MR. STURTEVANT: Nothing, Your Honor.
- 18 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Mr. Kahle.
- 19 (Witness excused.)
- 20 JUDGE TAPIA: Staff will call their next
- 21 witness.
- MR. LANNON: Thank you, Your Honor.

- 1 Staff calls Peter Lazare.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Mr. Lazare, if you can raise your
- 3 right hand.
- 4 (Whereupon the witness was sworn
- 5 by Judge Tapia.)
- 6 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you.
- 7 PETER LAZARE
- 8 called as a witness herein, on behalf of staff of the
- 9 Illinois Commerce Commission, having been first duly
- 10 sworn on his oath, was examined and testified as
- 11 follows:
- 12 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 13 BY MR. LANNON:
- Q. Can you please state your full name for the
- 15 record spelling your last name?
- 16 A. Peter Lazare (L-a-z-a-r-e).
- 17 Q. And who is your employer and what is your
- 18 business address?
- 19 A. Illinois Commerce Commission. Business
- 20 address is 527 East Capitol Avenue, Springfield,
- 21 62701.
- 22 Q. What's your position at the Illinois

- 1 Commerce Commission?
- 2 A. Senior rates analyst.
- 3 Q. Did you prepare written exhibits for
- 4 submittal in this proceeding?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Do you have before you a document which has
- 7 been marked for identification as ICC Staff
- 8 Exhibit 6.0 which consists of a cover page, table of
- 9 contents, 39 pages of narrative testimony,
- 10 Schedules 1 through 3, and is titled "Direct
- 11 Testimony of Peter Lazare"?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. Did you prepare that document?
- 14 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you have before you a document which has
- 16 been marked for identification as ICC Staff
- 17 Exhibit 13.0 which consists of a cover page, 26 pages
- of narrative testimony and is titled "Rebuttal
- 19 Testimony of Peter Lazare"?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. Did you prepare that document?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Do you have any corrections to make to ICC
- 2 Staff Exhibits 6.0 or 13.0?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 O. Is the information contained in ICC Staff
- 5 Exhibits 6.0 and 13.0 true and correct to the best of
- 6 your knowledge?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And if I were to ask the same questions as
- 9 contained in Staff Exhibit 6.0 and 13.0, would your
- 10 responses be the same today?
- 11 A. Yes.
- MR. LANNON: Your Honor, I'd move for admission
- into evidence ICC Staff Exhibit 6.0, including
- 14 Schedules 1 through 3, and ICC Staff Exhibit 13.0.
- 15 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you.
- Any objection to the exhibits just
- 17 stayed by Mr. Lannon?
- 18 Hearing no objection, ICC Staff
- 19 Exhibit 6.0 which is the direct testimony of
- 20 Mr. Lazare along with the Schedules 1 to 3 and ICC
- 21 Staff Exhibit 13.0 which is rebuttal testimony of
- 22 Mr. Lazare will be admitted.

- 1 (Whereupon ICC Staff Exhibits
- 2 6.0 and 13.0 were admitted into
- 3 evidence at this time.)
- 4 JUDGE TAPIA: Ms. Satter?
- 5 MS. SATTER: No thank you.
- 6 JUDGE TAPIA: Mr. Alperin?
- 7 MR. ALPERIN: Nothing at this time. Thank you.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Mr. Balough?
- 9 MR. BALOUGH: No questions, Your Honor.
- 10 JUDGE TAPIA: And the company?
- 11 MR. STURTEVANT: No questions, Your Honor.
- 12 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Mr. Lazare.
- 13 (Witness excused.)
- 14 JUDGE TAPIA: Moving right along, if staff
- 15 would call their next witness.
- 16 MR. LANNON: Thank you, Your Honor. Staff
- 17 calls Mr. Philip Rukosuev.
- 18 JUDGE TAPIA: Mr. Rukosuev, could you raise
- 19 your right hand?
- 20 (Whereupon the witness was sworn
- 21 by Judge Tapia.)
- JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you.

- 1 Mr. Lannon, go ahead whenever you're
- 2 ready.
- 3 MR. LANNON: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 4 PHILIP RUKOSUEV
- 5 called as a witness herein, on behalf of staff of the
- 6 Illinois Commerce Commission, having been first duly
- 7 sworn on his oath, was examined and testified as
- 8 follows:
- 9 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 10 BY MR. LANNON:
- 11 Q. Please state your full name for the record
- 12 spelling your last name.
- 13 A. First name is Philip; last name is Rukosuev
- 14 Rukosuev (R-u-k-o-s-u-e-v).
- Q. Who is your employer and what is your
- 16 business address?
- 17 A. I'm employed by the Illinois Commerce
- 18 Commission, and the address is 527 East Capitol
- 19 Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62701.
- 20 Q. And what's your position at the Illinois
- 21 Commerce Commission?
- 22 A. I'm employed as a rate analyst in the

- 1 Financial Analysis Division.
- Q. Did you prepare written exhibits for
- 3 submittal in this proceeding?
- 4 A. I did.
- 5 Q. Do you have before you a document which has
- 6 been marked for identification as ICC Staff
- 7 Exhibit 5.0 which consists of a cover page, 47 pages
- 8 of narrative testimony, and is titled "Direct
- 9 Testimony of Philip Rukosuev?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Did you prepare that document for
- 12 presentation in this matter?
- 13 A. Yes, I did.
- 14 O. And you also have before you a document
- 15 marked for identification as ICC Staff Exhibit 12.0R
- 16 which consists of a cover page, 20 pages of narrative
- 17 testimony, Attachments 12.1R, 12.2R, and 12.3R, and
- is titled "Revised Rebuttal Testimony of Philip
- 19 Rukosuev?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Did you prepare that document for
- 22 presentation in this matter?

- 1 A. I did.
- Q. Did you have any corrections to ICC Staff
- 3 Exhibit 5.0, your direct testimony?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. I believe you had some corrections to your
- 6 revised testimony or your revised rebuttal testimony
- 7 which is ICC Staff Exhibit 12.0R, is that right?
- 8 A. Yes, I do.
- 9 Q. And is the first correction on page 7?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Can you identify that correction?
- 12 A. Line 135 says 89.09 percent change.
- Q. It was changed to 89.09 percent, correct?
- 14 A. Yes.
- Q. And is your next correction on page 9 of
- 16 your revised rebuttal testimony?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And the first corrections on page 9 would
- 19 be in Table 2, is that correct?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. And would that be the column identified as
- 22 monthly increase, residential?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 O. All the numbers contained in that column
- 3 are changed?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And the column identified as monthly dollar
- 6 increase, commercial, were all the numbers in that
- 7 column changed?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And the column identified as monthly dollar
- 10 increase industrial, were all the numbers contained
- in that column changed?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. And did you have one further change on page
- 14 9?
- 15 A. Yes. Line 180, it was changed to 97
- 16 percent.
- Q. And on page 10, did you have some changes
- 18 in Table 3, page 10?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 O. And the numbers contained in nonresidential
- 21 proposed column, were all the numbers changed there?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. And were all the numbers changed in the
- 2 column identified as nonresidential percentage
- 3 increase changed?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And was the number contained in the column
- 6 identified as residential a proposed change?
- 7 A. Yes.
- Q. And likewise, was there a change in the
- 9 column identified as residential percentage increase?
- 10 A. That's correct, yes.
- 11 Q. And turning to page 15, did you have
- 12 changes on that page contained in Table A?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 O. And were the numbers contained in the
- 15 column identified as average bill impacts under
- 16 staff's proposed rates, residential, all changed?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Likewise, were the numbers contained in the
- 19 column identified as average bill impacts under
- 20 staff's proposed rates, commercial, all changed?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. Likewise, were the numbers contained in the

- 1 column identified as average bill impacts under
- 2 staff's proposed rates, industrial/large commercial,
- 3 all changed?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Were those all the changes you had in your
- 6 revised rebuttal testimony?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And did you prepare that document for
- 9 presentation in this matter?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And subject to the corrections you just
- 12 noted, is the information contained in ICC Staff
- 13 Exhibit 5.0 and 12.0R true and correct to the best of
- 14 your knowledge?
- 15 A. Yes.
- Q. And subject to the corrections you already
- 17 pointed out, if I were to ask the same questions as
- 18 set forth in ICC Staff Exhibits 5.0 and 12.0R, would
- 19 your responses be the same today?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 MR. LANNON: Your Honor, I'd move for admission
- into evidence ICC Staff Exhibits 5.0 and 12.0R

- 1 including attachments 12.1R, 12.2R, and 12.3R.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Mr. Lannon.
- 3 Any objections to the admission of
- 4 those exhibits?
- 5 MR. STURTEVANT: No, none here.
- 6 JUDGE TAPIA: Hearing no objection, ICC Staff
- 7 Exhibit 5.0, 12.0R and the attached Exhibits 12.01R
- 8 through 12.03R subject to the corrections stated on
- 9 the record are admitted into evidence.
- 10 (Whereupon ICC Staff Exhibits
- 11 5.0 and 12.0R thru 12.03R were
- 12 admitted into evidence at this
- 13 time.)
- MR. LANNON: And, Your Honor, I'll be filing a
- 15 clean version. I passed out a red line for everybody
- in the room today, but later on this afternoon, we'll
- 17 file a clean version with updated schedules also.
- 18 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay.
- MR. LANNON: Would you like me to title that
- 20 something like second revised rebuttal testimony?
- 21 JUDGE TAPIA: Yes, for clarification and for
- the benefit of Judge Jones.

- 1 MR. LANNON: Will do.
- Thank you, Your Honor, and with that,
- 3 Mr. Phil is available for cross-examination.
- 4 JUDGE TAPIA: Ms. Satter?
- 5 MS. SATTER: No thank you. I have no
- 6 questions.
- 7 JUDGE TAPIA: Mr. Alperin?
- 8 MR. ALPERIN: I'll defer to Mr. Balough.
- 9 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Mr. Balough?
- 10 MR. BALOUGH: Thank you. Good morning.
- 11 THE WITNESS: Good morning.
- MR. BALOUGH: I just have a few questions for
- 13 you.
- 14 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 15 BY MR. BALOUGH:
- 16 Q. In your recommendations, you're proposing
- 17 to leave the private fire protection charge for the
- 18 Chicago Metro area unchanged, is that correct?
- 19 A. That's correct.
- 20 Q. And the private fire protection charge is
- 21 the fee that Illinois-American charges to customers
- 22 who have their own fire sprinkling system in their

- 1 building, is that correct?
- A. Yes. You asked you about Chicago Metro,
- 3 right?
- 4 Q. Chicago Metro, and my questions will just
- 5 be confined to Chicago Metro.
- 6 A. Uh-huh.
- 7 Q. Am I correct that the cost of service that
- 8 you reviewed indicated that that charge go down?
- 9 A. For private?
- 10 O. For private.
- 11 A. No. I said it should be left unchanged.
- 12 Q. I understand you said it should be left
- unchanged, but I believe, didn't you also testify
- 14 that the study that you looked at would indicate that
- 15 that charge should decrease?
- 16 A. No.
- MR. LANNON: Could you point to a page if you
- 18 have one?
- 19 Q. You say on page 40 of Exhibit 5.0 that you
- 20 agree with the company that the private fire service
- 21 rates for Chicago Metro should remain unchanged, is
- 22 that correct?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- Q. On the next page, you say that the rate
- 3 should not be decreased either because significant
- 4 increases are being proposed in other charges, is
- 5 that correct?
- A. That's correct.
- 7 Q. So you're saying that you believe that the
- 8 cost of service indicates that that charge should not
- 9 be decreased?
- 10 A. Well, my reasoning was that I did not want
- 11 to decrease them because, first of all, I did not
- want to create a greater increase in other charges,
- 13 thereby actually producing adverse bill impacts
- 14 possibly because if you decrease those revenues, you
- 15 have to shift them somewhere else. I did not find
- 16 that necessary, and that was my reasoning.
- Q. Well, I guess my question is, did you find
- 18 that based upon a cost of service that they should
- 19 have been decreased?
- 20 A. I said in line 821, page 40 when I was
- 21 referring to the cost of service for Chicago Metro
- 22 Water District which is private, I said that the cost

- of service is 654,339, and the company is actually
- 2 recovering more than cost of service, 902,420, that
- 3 was approved in the previous rate case which is
- 4 recovery of 138 percent.
- 5 The company did not propose an
- 6 increase in rates because they were recovering
- 7 actually more than cost of service, and I found that
- 8 they shouldn't be changed because the previous rate
- 9 case approved that specific increase. It was
- 10 approved in the previous rate case, and I didn't want
- 11 to touch that, and I left it unchanged basically.
- 12 Q. But you would agree that the cost of
- 13 service indicates that that rate should be
- 14 recovering, if we're doing a pure cost of service,
- should be recovering \$654,339?
- 16 MR. LANNON: Objection. Asked and answered.
- 17 MR. BALOUGH: Your Honor, I don't think it
- 18 was -- I'm trying to ask a clearer question. I don't
- 19 think I got a clear answer.
- 20 JUDGE TAPIA: I agree with Mr. Balough. I
- 21 don't think the witness actually answered the
- 22 question.

- 1 Overruled.
- THE WITNESS: Well, I can repeat the answer.
- 3 MR. BALOUGH: Let me just ask, yes or no, that
- 4 under the cost of service of the company that the
- 5 cost of service for private fire protection is
- 6 \$654,339?
- 7 A. That's correct.
- Q. And is it correct, yes or no, that under
- 9 the present rates which you say should remain in
- 10 effect that they are collecting \$902,420?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. So if the rate were to be set at the cost
- 13 of service, it would indicate there should be a
- 14 decrease in the rate?
- 15 A. According to what you're saying, that's
- 16 correct.
- 17 Q. Okay. Let me ask you another question.
- Did you review, in preparing your
- 19 testimony, any of the testimony filed by the
- 20 intervenors in this case?
- 21 A. Did I review any?
- 22 Q. Yes.

- 1 A. I'm familiar with the testimony of Homer
- 2 Glen.
- 3 Q. And you reviewed the testimony of Fire
- 4 Chief Michael Schofield?
- 5 (Pause)
- 6 A. I have not reviewed his testimony
- 7 originally when I was dealing with private fire.
- 8 Q. So if you had not reviewed his testimony,
- 9 would I be correct to assume that you did not do any
- 10 cost analysis as to the cost of a private fire
- 11 protection charge versus any cost decrease for the
- 12 price of insurance for a facility?
- 13 A. I have not done such an analysis, no.
- 14 O. And you have not taken into account any
- 15 public policy issues concerning any tradeoffs between
- 16 a private fire protection charge and the ability of
- 17 builders to include fire protection facilities and
- 18 buildings, is that correct?
- 19 A. That's correct. I have not made such an
- analysis.
- 21 MR. BALOUGH: I have no other questions.
- 22 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Mr. Balough.

1 Any redirect? MR. LANNON: No redirect, Your Honor. 2 3 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you very much. You're 4 excused. (Witness excused.) 5 JUDGE TAPIA: Staff can call their next 6 witness. 7 8 MS. BUELL: Thank you, Your Honor. 9 As I explained this morning, staff 10 witness Phil Hardas will be sponsoring the direct and 11 rebuttal testimony that was prefiled by staff witness 12 Sheena Kight-Garlisch. 13 In that regard, staff calls Phil 14 Hardas to the stand. 15 JUDGE TAPIA: Mr. Hardas, would you raise your 16 right hand? (Whereupon the witness was sworn 17 18 by Judge Tapia.). 19 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you. 20 Ms. Buell, whenever you're ready.

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- 1 PHIL HARDAS
- 2 called as a witness herein, on behalf of staff of the
- 3 Illinois Commerce Commission, having been first duly
- 4 sworn on his oath, was examined and testified as
- 5 follows:
- 6 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 7 BY MS. BUELL:
- Q. Mr. Hardas, would you please state your
- 9 full name and spell your last name for the record?
- 10 A. My name is Phil Hardas. Last name is
- 11 spelled H-a-r-d-a-s.
- Q. And, Mr. Hardas, by whom are you employed?
- 13 A. I'm employed by the Illinois Commerce
- 14 Commission.
- Q. And your position at the Illinois Commerce
- 16 Commission is...
- 17 A. I'm a senior financial analyst in the
- 18 Finance Department.
- 19 Q. Mr. Hardas, do you have before you a
- 20 document which has been marked for identification as
- 21 ICC Staff Exhibit 3.0 and is titled "Direct Testimony
- of Sheena Kight-Garlisch"?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. Is it your testimony today that you are
- 3 adopting the direct testimony of Ms. Kight-Garlisch
- 4 as your own for this proceeding?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 MS. BUELL: Your Honor, for identification
- 7 purposes, this is the direct testimony that was filed
- 8 via the Commission's e-docket system on September 28,
- 9 2009, and attached to this testimony are
- 10 Schedules 3.1 and 3.2.
- 11 Q. Mr. Hardas, do you also have before you a
- 12 document which has been marked for identification as
- 13 ICC Staff Exhibit 10.0 and is titled "Rebuttal
- 14 Testimony of Sheena Kight-Garlisch"?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Is it your testimony today that you are
- 17 adopting the rebuttal testimony of Ms. Kight-Garlisch
- 18 as your own for this proceeding?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 MS. BUELL: And, Your Honor, for identification
- 21 purposes, this is the rebuttal testimony that was
- filed via the Commission's e-docket system on

- 1 November 13, 2009 and attached to this testimony are
- 2 Schedules 10.1 and 10.2.
- 3 Q. Now, Mr. Hardas, with respect to the
- 4 questions and answers contained in the direct and
- 5 rebuttal testimony that you've just identified, would
- 6 your answers be the same today?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Are you aware of any corrections that
- 9 should be made to ICC Staff Exhibits 3.0 or 10.0?
- 10 A. No.
- MS. BUELL: Your Honor, at this time, I would
- 12 ask for admission into evidence ICC Staff Exhibit 3.0
- including Schedules 3.1 and 3.2 and ICC Staff
- 14 Exhibit 10.0 including Schedules 10.1 and 10.2.
- 15 And I'd note for the record that these
- 16 are the same documents that were filed via the
- 17 Commission's e-docket system on September 18th and
- November 13, 2009 respectively.
- 19 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Ms. Buell.
- 20 Any objection to the admission of
- 21 those exhibits just stated by Ms. Buell?
- Hearing no objection, 3.0 which is the

- 1 direct testimony of Sheena Kight-Garlisch along with
- 2 the Schedules 3.1 and 3.2 and Exhibit 10.0 which is
- 3 rebuttal testimony of Sheena Kight-Garlisch with the
- 4 attached Schedules 10.1 and 10.2 are admitted into
- 5 evidence.
- 6 (Whereupon ICC Staff Exhibits
- 7 3.0 and 10.0 were admitted into
- 8 evidence at this time.)
- 9 MS. BUELL: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 10 I tender Mr. Hardas for
- 11 cross-examination.
- 12 JUDGE TAPIA: Ms. Satter?
- MS. SATTER: Yes, I have a few questions.
- 14 Thank you.
- 15 JUDGE TAPIA: Go ahead.
- 16 MS. SATTER: Good morning. My name is
- 17 Susan Satter. I'm representing the People of the
- 18 State of Illinois. I have a few questions for you
- 19 focusing on the rebuttal testimony.
- 20 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 21 BY MS. SATTER:
- 22 Q. Now, is it correct, and looking at

- 1 Schedule 10.1 as referenced, is it correct that staff
- 2 is recommending .003 percent of the capital structure
- 3 to be represented by short-term debt?
- 4 A. That's correct. If you're referring to
- 5 Schedule 10.1 for short-term debt and go over to the
- 6 weighted cost column, it would read .003 percent.
- 7 Q. And the percent of total capital is .15
- 8 percent, right?
- 9 A. That's correct.
- 10 Q. And the weighted cost is 3/1000 of one
- 11 percent, is that right?
- 12 A. Actually, that would be 3/10 of a basis
- 13 point.
- 14 Q. That's another way to say it.
- And so in your testimony, you're
- 16 attributing approximately 1.08 million dollars for
- 17 short-term debt, is that correct?
- 18 A. That's what it shows on Schedule 10.1,
- 19 that's correct.
- Q. Okay. Now, on page 2 of your Exhibit 10.0
- 21 which is the rebuttal, you essentially say that the
- 22 cost of short-term debt is immaterial because the

- 1 amount of short-term debt in the capital structure is
- 2 so small, is that correct?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. Okay. Now, do you agree that if the
- 5 portion of short-term debt were increased in the
- 6 capital structure and the portion of common equity
- 7 were reduced, it would reduce the revenue requirement
- 8 in this rate case?
- 9 A. I'm sorry. Can you repeat that again
- 10 exactly?
- 11 Q. Do you agree that if the portion of
- 12 short-term debt in the capital structure were
- increased and the portion of common equity in the
- 14 capital structure were reduced, it would reduce the
- 15 revenue requirement in the case?
- 16 A. If you increase an input on the schedule
- 17 with a lower cost of debt, I'm sorry, with a lower
- 18 cost, which short-term debt is on the schedule 1.97
- 19 percent, if you increase the amount of any portion of
- 20 that and thus decrease an amount with a higher cost,
- 21 then, yes, it would change.
- Q. Do you agree that ordinarily it's the

- 1 policy of ICC witnesses to use the actual short-term
- debt rates as an input in determining the overall
- 3 cost of capital?
- 4 A. In this case, what I looked at would be --
- if you're talking the Illinois-American's actual
- 6 short-term debt balances for 2009, I didn't review
- 7 those.
- 8 Q. Okay. Well, looking at line 40 on page 2
- 9 through line 41, 42, on page 3, is it your
- 10 understanding that as a general matter, you
- ordinarily use the actual cost of short-term debt at
- 12 the time the case is being considered as an input?
- 13 A. That's correct if you're talking about the
- 14 cost.
- 15 Q. Yes.
- 16 A. Yes, and not the amount.
- 17 Q. Correct.
- 18 A. Yes, then the actual would be what was
- 19 referred.
- 20 Q. Okay. So if the actual rate of short-term
- 21 debt referenced in your testimony at line 36 which is
- 22 .4634 percent were applied to a short-term debt ratio

- of 3.1 percent as opposed to zero percent, do you
- 2 agree that the revenue requirement would increase by
- 3 about three million?
- 4 A. I haven't looked at that, but I think I
- 5 answered your question in regards to if you're
- 6 actually increasing the portion of short-term debt
- 7 and that amount does increase and in relation you
- 8 decrease a higher cost component, then that would
- 9 change.
- 10 MS. SATTER: Okay. Thank you. That's all I
- 11 have.
- 12 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Ms. Satter.
- Mr. Alperin?
- 14 MR. ALPERIN: No questions. Thank you.
- JUDGE TAPIA: The company?
- 16 MR. STURTEVANT: No questions, Your Honor.
- 17 JUDGE TAPIA: Any redirect?
- 18 MS. BUELL: Thank you, Your Honor. Staff has
- 19 no redirect.
- 20 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you. You're excused.
- 21 (Witness excused.)
- JUDGE TAPIA: Ms. Buell, that's your last

- 1 witness according to my list.
- MS. BUELL: Yes, that's correct, Your Honor.
- 3 That was staff's last witness.
- 4 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Then we'll adjourn until
- 5 3 o'clock.
- 6 MS. BUELL: Your Honor, did we need to discuss
- 7 now the final cross exhibit offered by the Attorney
- 8 General?
- 9 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. If you're ready to.
- 10 MS. SATTER: Yes. Ms. Buell was able to pull
- 11 the cover page for the response to LHW 3.05 update
- 12 which is what the documents that were marked as AG
- 13 Cross Exhibits 20 and 21 referred to.
- 14 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay.
- MS. SATTER: And what I'd like to do, if this
- 16 won't be too confusing, is to offer AG Cross Exhibit
- 17 Exhibit 20 including the cover page and both of the
- 18 attachments that are referenced in the cover page so
- 19 that I would not need to label AG Cross Exhibit 21
- 20 because 21 would be subsumed as one of the two
- 21 attachments to AG Cross Exhibit 20.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. So you're just offering AG

- 1 Cross Exhibit No. 20 to include the cover pages with
- 2 the attachments?
- 3 MS. SATTER: Right. They're the same
- 4 documents.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Then you're withdrawing
- 6 21?
- 7 MS. SATTER: But I will withdraw then 21 as
- 8 labeled previously.
- 9 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. And there's no objection
- 10 to the admission of that exhibit?
- MR. STURTEVANT: I guess, Your Honor, I don't
- 12 have an objection to the admission of this, but I
- 13 guess that would be subject to noting on the record
- 14 that this response is an update to response to LHW
- 15 304 as it says in the response here which contained
- 16 additional information beyond just what was in this
- 17 response.
- 18 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. That's so noted then.
- 19 And, Ms. Buell, do you still have your
- 20 objection to AG Cross Exhibit 20 along with
- 21 Ms. Satter's update?
- MS. BUELL: Your Honor, given the fact that the

- 1 staff data request and the response has now been
- 2 included, staff would have no further objection.
- 3 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Thank you, Ms. Buell.
- 4 Then hearing no objection, AG Cross
- 5 Exhibit No. 20, which includes the cover page with
- 6 attachments, is admitted into evidence, and AG cross
- 7 Exhibit No. 21 is withdrawn as Ms. Satter offered it.
- 8 (Whereupon AG Cross Exhibit 20
- 9 was admitted into evidence at
- 10 this time.)
- 11 MS. SATTER: Thank you.
- 12 And I will make copies and distribute
- 13 them at the close today.
- 14 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. And then you'll also file
- 15 it on e-docket?
- 16 MS. SATTER: Yeah, I will file all of AG cross
- 17 exhibits on e-docket hopefully on Friday.
- 18 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Thank you, Ms. Satter.
- 19 Anything we need to discuss before we
- 20 adjourn?
- 21 MR. STURTEVANT: I guess my only question is if
- 22 you'd like, I could see if Mr. Duddles is available

- 1 sooner than 3 o'clock if everybody wants to sit
- 2 around for five minutes while I make the phone call
- 3 to his attorney and see what he has to say for
- 4 himself.
- 5 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Why don't we just take a
- 6 break. Why don't we take a ten-minute break and give
- 7 Mr. Sturtevant some time to call, and then we'll know
- 8 at noon.
- 9 (Recess taken.)
- 10 MR. STURTEVANT: The witness is apparently not
- 11 back in his office yet so I would recommend that we
- 12 just adjourn till 3 o'clock.
- JUDGE TAPIA: We're adjourned till 3.
- 14 (Whereupon a recess was taken
- 15 from 12:15 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.)
- 16 (Whereupon the hearing
- 17 reconvened at 3:00 p.m. Present
- 18 are Mr. Sturtevant, Ms. Satter
- 19 via teleconference, Mr. Bartel
- 20 via teleconference, and Linda
- 21 Buell.)
- 22 JUDGE TAPIA: By the authority vested in me by

- 1 the Illinois Commerce Commission, I now call Docket
- 2 No. 09-0319. This is a case initiated by
- 3 Illinois-American Water Company, its rate increase
- 4 petition.
- 5 May I have appearances for the record
- 6 as far as this limited hearing?
- 7 MR. STURTEVANT: Your Honor, appearing on
- 8 behalf of Illinois-American Water Company, Albert
- 9 Sturtevant of Jones Day.
- 10 JUDGE TAPIA: Who entered his appearance
- 11 earlier.
- MS. BUELL: Appearing on behalf of staff
- 13 witnesses of the Illinois Commerce Commission, Linda
- 14 M. Buell.
- MS. SATTER: Appearing on behalf of the People
- of the State of Illinois, Susan Satter, and I entered
- 17 my appearance earlier today.
- 18 MR. BARTEL: Appearing on behalf of the City
- 19 Des Plaines, Raymond P. Bartel. We entered an
- 20 appearance earlier on the docket I believe.
- 21 JUDGE TAPIA: Can you spell your last name,
- 22 Mr. Bartel?

- 1 MR. BARTEL: Certainly. B-a-r-t-e-l, staff
- 2 attorney for the City of Des Plaines.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Mr. Bartel, did you enter your
- 4 appearance this morning?
- 5 MR. BARTEL: Not this morning, no. I believe
- 6 we e-filed it earlier in these proceedings.
- 7 JUDGE TAPIA: Oh, okay. Just go ahead for the
- 8 record and state your address and phone number,
- 9 please.
- 10 MR. BARTEL: Certainly. Address, 1420 Miner
- 11 Street, M-i-n-e-r Street, Des Plaines, Illinois,
- 12 60016.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you very much, Mr. Bartel.
- Okay. We can go ahead and proceed.
- 15 My understanding is Mr. Duddles is
- 16 going to testify today.
- 17 MR. BARTEL: That is correct, and he is present
- in the room.
- 19 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Mr. Duddles, if you can
- 20 raise your right hand.
- 21 (Whereupon the witness was sworn
- 22 by Judge Tapia.)

- 1 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you.
- 2 Mr. Bartel, you can proceed.
- Will you be -- well, do you have any
- 4 direct for your witness before Mr. Sturtevant has
- 5 some cross I believe?
- 6 MR. BARTEL: It's my understanding that the
- 7 cross is going to be conducted based upon
- 8 Mr. Duddles' written response to the surrebuttal
- 9 testimony of Bernard L. Uffelman.
- 10 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay.
- 11 MS. SATTER: Judge?
- 12 JUDGE TAPIA: Yes?
- 13 MS. SATTER: I believe that the City of
- 14 Des Plaines witnesses filed prefiled testimony. I
- 15 did not move to introduce this testimony this
- 16 afternoon, but I think that it's being offered
- 17 originally by affidavit, and then he was just going
- 18 to be present for this additional piece of testimony,
- 19 which is also prefiled, and cross-examination.
- 20 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. So it's already been
- 21 filed? The affidavit has already been filed on
- 22 e-docket?

- 1 MR. BARTEL: That's correct.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Okay. Then --
- 3 MR. STURTEVANT: I'm sorry. This is Albert
- 4 Sturtevant. Is the supplemental testimony, the
- 5 response to surrebuttal testimony of Bernard
- 6 Uffelman, was that filed on e-docket?
- 7 MR. BARTEL: I believe we noted that it was,
- 8 but I'll have to check the filing. We had it on
- 9 originally, but if not, I'll offer it instanter, I'll
- 10 have Mr. Duddles testify verbally, however everyone
- 11 wants to proceed.
- 12 JUDGE TAPIA: Well, Mr. Bartel, I'm only here
- 13 for the limited purpose of these proceedings. Judge
- Jones will take over after today.
- Did you want to admit it into
- 16 evidence?
- 17 MR. BARTEL: Yes. We move to admit the written
- 18 response of Mr. Duddles into evidence instanter. We
- 19 would make that motion and subject to the
- 20 cross-examination obviously of Mr. Sturtevant.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. So it would be the direct
- testimony of Mr. Duddles and his supplemental

- 1 testimony?
- 2 MR. BARTEL: It would only be his supplemental
- 3 testimony. We did have on e-docket his direct
- 4 testimony.
- 5 JUDGE TAPIA: I see.
- 6 MR. BARTEL: We did offer that by affidavit.
- 7 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Is there any objection?
- At this point, we don't have all the
- 9 parties here.
- 10 MS. BUELL: Judge, staff has seen the direct
- 11 testimony of Mr. Duddles but apparently was not
- 12 served with any additional testimony that was
- 13 prefiled by Mr. Duddles, so staff couldn't say
- 14 whether it objects to this testimony or not because
- 15 staff hasn't seen it.
- 16 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. I'll take that as an
- objection to the admission of the supplemental
- 18 testimony since, Mr. Bartel, staff doesn't seem to
- 19 have remembered being served the supplemental.
- 20 MR. BARTEL: We did not serve them, no. The
- 21 city did not serve them.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Ms. Satter, do you have any

- 1 position?
- MS. SATTER: My understanding is that in
- 3 connection with the resolution of outstanding motions
- 4 to strike, there was a message from the city and some
- 5 various parties and the company that Mr. Duddles
- 6 couldn't respond.
- 7 Now, that was not part of the motion
- 8 to strike and, I'm sorry, was not part of those
- 9 discussions.
- In addition, the response that was
- 11 filed by Mr. Duddles does not address any testimony,
- 12 exhibits or issues that were addressed by staff in
- 13 the case, and although, of course, staff should see
- 14 everything in the case, the discussions relative to
- 15 this limited rebuttal were between the municipal
- 16 parties and the company.
- MS. BUELL: Nonetheless, Your Honor, it's a
- 18 procedural requirement that all testimony to be
- 19 offered into the evidentiary record be filed on
- 20 e-docket and served on the parties.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Your response, Mr. Bartel?
- MR. BARTEL: We were assuming that that was

- 1 being worked out. However, on behalf of the City, we
- 2 did not file this on e-docket. We thought it was
- 3 being worked out with all parties that it would be
- 4 filed by agreement.
- 5 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Let's go off the record
- 6 for a minute.
- 7 (Whereupon an off-the-record
- 8 discussion transpired at this
- 9 time.)
- 10 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. We're back on the record.
- 11 The parties and I discussed the way
- we're going to proceed in this case is Mr. Duddles is
- 13 going to testify, and Mr. Sturtevant is going to
- 14 conduct cross-examination and any parties who wish to
- 15 cross-examine Mr. Duddles.
- At that time, after, Mr. Bartel, the
- 17 attorney for Mr. Duddles, will file a motion to leave
- instanter, and the parties at that time will have an
- 19 opportunity to file a motion to strike if they feel
- 20 it's appropriate.
- 21 Any questions?
- MR. BARTEL: No.

- 1 MR. STURTEVANT: No.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you.
- Then Mr. Bartel or Mr. Sturtevant,
- 4 whichever.
- 5 Do you need any direct testimony from
- 6 Mr. Duddles, Mr. Bartel?
- 7 MR. BARTEL: Yes, yes. I'd like to call
- 8 Mr. Duddles.
- 9 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Thank you. Whenever
- 10 you're ready.
- JON DUDDLES
- 12 called as a witness herein, via teleconference, on
- 13 behalf of City of Des Plaines, having been first duly
- 14 sworn on his oath, was examined and testified as
- 15 follows:
- 16 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 17 BY MR. BARTEL:
- 18 Q. Mr. Duddles, you have been previously sworn
- 19 here this afternoon, correct?
- 20 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Would you state your name again for
- the record?

- 1 A. Jon Duddles.
- Q. And are you the same Jon Duddles who
- 3 offered direct testimony in this case which was filed
- 4 October 2, 2009?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Okay. Have you read the surrebuttal
- 7 testimony of Mr. Bernard Uffelman on behalf of
- 8 Illinois-American Water Company as it pertains to
- 9 projects within the City of Des Plaines?
- 10 A. Yes, I specifically reviewed the portion
- 11 about the City of Des Plaines use of funds from the
- 12 Motor Fuel Tax for street repairs associated with
- 13 water and sewer repair.
- 14 O. Can you describe how the City of
- 15 Des Plaines used Motor Fuel Tax Funds on the two
- 16 projects discussed by Mr. Uffelman?
- 17 Please refer to the projects by name.
- 18 A. Yes. The source of funding is used only
- 19 for street improvements including drainage portion on
- 20 the projects.
- 21 On Alden Lane ID #14 funded under MFT,
- 22 ID #1092 of the water fund, Motor Fuel Tax Funds were

- 1 used to pay for the street rehabilitation on this
- 2 project, and water funds were used for the water main
- 3 improvements only.
- 4 On Third Avenue ID Project #834 funded
- 5 under MFT and ID Project #1065 funded under MFT, a
- 6 combination of Motor Fuel Tax Funds and Capital
- 7 Improvement Funds were used to pay for the streets
- 8 and drainage improvements on the project.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Mr. Duddles, because you're on
- 10 the phone, it's kind of hard to hear, so if you can
- 11 slow down a little bit for the benefit of the court
- 12 reporter.
- 13 MS. SATTER: Judge, I think Mr. Duddles is
- 14 reading the supplemental that was going to be filed
- 15 in written form. If it's okay with staff and the
- 16 company attorney, possibly he can just verify that
- 17 what he said, what is written in the supplemental
- 18 testimony is the testimony that he wants to give
- 19 today, and then he doesn't have to restate it.
- 20 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Well, I think we have to
- 21 have it on the record for the court reporter.
- 22 MS. SATTER: Rather than use the paper copy?

- 1 JUDGE TAPIA: Yes. She's having difficulty
- 2 hearing it.
- 3 So, Mr. Duddles, if you can slow down
- 4 a little bit for the court reporter's benefit and
- 5 ours.
- 6 THE WITNESS: Sure.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. I'm sorry, Mr. Bartel.
- 8 You can continue.
- 9 MR. BARTEL: Certainly.
- 10 Q. Regarding the use of Motor Fuel Tax Funds,
- 11 can you tell me how they are used on these projects?
- 12 A. Yes. Motor Fuel Tax Funds funds are only
- 13 expended on street improvement eligible pay items.
- 14 At no time are any used for any water or sewer
- 15 improvement work.
- 16 Q. Now, were Motor Fuel Tax Funds used to
- 17 subsidize the water and sewer services in the City of
- 18 Des Plaines?
- 19 A. No. Contrary to Illinois-American Water's
- 20 assertion on line 285 of their response --
- Q. Is that Mr. Uffelman's response?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Thank you. Go ahead.
- 2 A. Motor Fuel Tax Funds are not used to
- 3 subsidize water and sewer services in the City of
- 4 Des Plaines. We have Enterprise Funds which is
- 5 mainly a water fund and a sanitary sewer fund that we
- 6 use for water and sanitary sewer repairs and
- 7 improvements.
- 8 The projects that Mr. Uffelman
- 9 discusses involve a total of \$47,505.60 which was
- 10 obtained from the Water and Sewer Enterprise Funds
- 11 for water main improvement pay items only. The Motor
- 12 Fuel Tax Funds only funded street repairs for that
- improvement project.
- 14 O. Thank you. One last question.
- Does the city ever notify or offer to
- 16 do street repairs for Illinois-American Water
- 17 Company?
- 18 A. Ordinarily, no. However, we will notify
- 19 Illinois-American Water when we are planning to do
- 20 street repairs so that the Illinois-American Water
- 21 Company repairs which will damage our streets can be
- 22 coordinated with our repair schedule. When plans can

- 1 be coordinated, the public is not as inconvenienced
- 2 by the roadwork and costs can be minimized.
- 3 Q. Does this conclude your testimony today?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 MR. BARTEL: Nothing further from the City or
- 6 Mr. Duddles at this time.
- 7 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Mr. Bartel.
- 8 MR. BARTEL: Thank you.
- 9 JUDGE TAPIA: Mr. Sturtevant,
- 10 cross-examination?
- MR. STURTEVANT: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 12 Mr. Duddles, my name is Albert
- 13 Sturtevant. I'm an attorney for Illinois-American
- 14 Water Company, and I'd like to ask a handful of
- 15 questions in the nature of clarification to your
- 16 response.
- 17 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 18 BY MR. STURTEVANT:
- 19 Q. Regarding your statement at the end of the
- 20 response there that you notify IAWC when you were
- 21 planning to do street repairs, for work done on
- 22 Illinois-American's system in Des Plaines -- which I

- believe is a sewer system, is that correct?
- 2 A. Yes, sewer and water.
- 3 O. Sewer and water.
- 4 So for work that Illinois-American
- 5 does on its system in Des Plaines, is
- 6 Illinois-American responsible for the street repairs
- 7 for work it does?
- 8 A. Yes. They have to file for a utility
- 9 permit because they're doing work within the
- 10 right-of-way of the City of Des Plaines.
- 11 Q. Okay. And then, Mr. Duddles, were you able
- 12 to locate the two documents, and I believe you refer
- 13 to them in the earlier part of your testimony related
- 14 to the projects on Alden Lane and Third Avenue, and
- the documents that I'm referring to are entitled
- 16 "Capital improvement program 2009 project detail,
- 17 location Alden Lane, project ID 1: 1092 water main,
- and then also, there's a second page, City of
- 19 Des Plaines, capital improvement program 2009 project
- detail, location Third Avenue, project ID 1065.
- 21 Do you have copies of those pages?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Okay. And those pages represent pages from
- 2 the capital improvement program project detail of the
- 3 City of Des Plaines, is that correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And those pages were provided to
- 6 Illinois-American Water Company in response to a data
- 7 request, is that correct?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 MR. STURTEVANT: All right. I'd like to mark
- 10 those two pages as IAWC Cross Exhibit 2.
- 11 (Whereupon IAWC Cross Exhibit 2
- 12 was marked for identification as
- of this date.)
- Q. And, Mr. Duddles, I'll refer to the Alden
- 15 Lane project, and I just want to clarify how these
- 16 projects work.
- 17 So looking at the Alden Lane project,
- when the City of Des Plaines was going to perform
- 19 this project, this was some kind of water main
- improvement project, is that correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And when the city went to perform this

- 1 project, they have to dig up the street, is that
- 2 correct?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And then whatever work they were doing on
- 5 the water main, that was funded through the Water
- 6 Enterprise Fund, is that correct?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And then as part of that project, there had
- 9 to be some street repair or rehabilitation once the
- 10 project was finished, is that correct?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And as part of the street repair -- I'm
- 13 sorry. Let me back up.
- 14 The street repair and rehabilitation
- 15 portion of the project, that was funded through the
- 16 Motor Fuel Tax, is that correct?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 MR. STURTEVANT: Okay. I have no further
- 19 questions, Your Honor.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you.
- 21 Ms. Buell?
- MS. BUELL: Staff has nothing, Your Honor.

- JUDGE TAPIA: Mrs. Satter?
- MS. SATTER: Nothing.
- JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Any redirect, Mr. Bartel?
- 4 MR. BARTEL: No redirect on behalf of the City.
- 5 JUDGE TAPIA: And, Mr. Sturtevant, will you be
- 6 offering, are you offering to have this exhibit
- 7 admitted into evidence?
- 8 MR. STURTEVANT: Yes, Your Honor. I would move
- 9 for the admission of IAWC Cross Exhibit 2, subject,
- of course, to the admission of Mr. Duddles Exhibit 3.
- 11 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Any objection from the
- 12 People, Ms. Satter?
- MS. SATTER: No.
- 14 JUDGE TAPIA: Ms. Buell?
- MS. BUELL: No, subject to the admission of
- 16 Exhibit 03, Your Honor.
- 17 JUDGE TAPIA: Okay. Thank you.
- 18 So IAWC Cross Exhibit 2 will be
- 19 admitted into evidence subject to the admission of
- 20 Exhibit No. 03.

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- 1 (Whereupon IAWC Cross Exhibit 2
- 2 was admitted into evidence at
- 3 this time.)
- 4 JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you, Mr. Duddles. Thank
- 5 you, Mr. Bartel.
- 6 (Witness excused.)
- 7 JUDGE TAPIA: Anything else we need to discuss
- 8 before I continue this case?
- 9 Just to let the parties know that
- 10 briefs are due on January 7th, and reply briefs are
- 11 due on January 21st.
- 12 I'm going to continue this case
- 13 generally, and in the event that Judge Jones wants to
- 14 keep it open and there's additional things he wants
- 15 to do, I want to give him that opportunity, so
- instead of closing it, I'll continue this case
- 17 generally.
- 18 Anything else?
- MS. SATTER: No.
- MR. STURTEVANT: No.
- 21 MR. BARTEL: On behalf of the City of
- Des Plaines, thank you to everyone.

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           JUDGE TAPIA: Thank you. Thank you,
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     Mr. Sturtevant.
           MR. STURTEVANT: Thank you, Your Honor.
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